HEAT
Higher Education Access Tracker

Service schedule

Academic year 2026/27

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August 2026 · MEMBER ACTION · IMPORTANT

Prepare your Data for the HEAT Track

Please make sure to review any Student, Ambassador and Activity records you would like to include for the annual tracking extract by Monday 30th November 2026.

August 2026 · MEMBER ACTION · IMPORTANT

Prepare your Key Stage 4 Attainment Track Data for Tracking

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29 October 2026 · HEAT EVENT

Data Protection and HEAT: Are you Compliant?

We invite members to attend this online event and learn about how you can protect your data on the system.

10 November 2026 · HEAT RELEASE

Winter 2026 Update Released to DEMO

The Winter Technical Update is released to the DEMO database, for members to review any upcoming changes before these are released to LIVE.

12 November 2026 · HEAT EVENT

HEAT and Unite Foundation Collaborative Webinar

We invite members to attend this online event where the Unite Foundation will showcase their Higher Education Track data analysis for National Care Leavers' Month.

20 November 2026 (indicative) · HEAT RELEASE

Contextualised HE Entry Track 2022/23 and 2023/24 HE Entry Years Data and Dashboard Released

The publication of a contextualised HE entry dashboard and dataset for Students who were expected to enter HE in 2022/23 or 2023/24.

24 November 2026 · HEAT EVENT

Winter 2026 Update Webinar

We invite members to attend this online event and learn about the Winter Update 2026.

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25 November 2026 · MEMBER ACTION

Higher Education Evaluation Library (HEEL) Website Launch

The HEEL is launched, where all providers can submit evaluations of higher education equality interventions to a searchable library on the TASO website.

30 November 2026 · MEMBER ACTION · DEADLINE

Final HEAT Track Data Upload Deadline

Please make sure to review any Student, Ambassador and Activity records you would like to include for tracking by Monday 30th November 2026.

30 November 2026 · MEMBER ACTION · DEADLINE

Record Retention Deadline

Please make sure to remove any expired records from the database by Monday 30th November 2026.

December 2026 (indicative) · HEAT RELEASE · IMPORTANT

Key Stage 4 Attainment Track 2025 Data and Dashboard Released

The publication of a attainment outcomes dashboard and dataset for Students who took GCSE exams in 2025 and engaged in outreach before age 16.

December 2026 (indicative) · HEAT RELEASE · IMPORTANT

Key Stage 5 Attainment Track 2025 Data and Dashboard Released

The publication of a attainment outcomes dashboard and dataset for Students who took A-level (or equivalent) exams in 2025 and engaged in outreach after age 16.

8 December 2026 · HEAT RELEASE

Winter 2026 Update Released to LIVE

Following a period of testing on the DEMO database, the Winter Technical Update is released to the LIVE database.

April 2027 (indicative) · HEAT RELEASE

Institution Attainment Update

An update of the Institution Profile Attainment data.

April 2027 (indicative) · HEAT RELEASE

Institution Destinations Update

An update of the Institution Profile Destinations data.

May 2027 (indicative) · HEAT RELEASE

Institution Geography Update

HEAT's annual update refreshes Institution Record population profiles across key deprivation measures used for targeting, including IMD, EST, IDACI, POLAR4 and TUNDRA. Data covers whole-school populations, target groups in Year 11 and Sixth Form, and Further Education students under and over 19.

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May 2027 (indicative) · HEAT RELEASE

Postcode Profiler Update

An annual update of the underlying list of UK postcodes and associated socioeconomic indicators in the Postcode Profiler tool.

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18 May 2027 · HEAT RELEASE

Summer 2027 Update Released to DEMO

The Summer Technical Update is released to the DEMO database, for members to review any upcoming changes before these are released to LIVE.

May 2027 · HEAT EVENT

Summer 2027 Update Webinar

We invite members to attend this online event and learn about the Summer Update 2027.

June 2027 (indicative) · HEAT RELEASE · IMPORTANT

Ambassador Higher Education Track 2025/2026 Data Released

The publication of a dataset for Ambassadors expected to enter higher education in 2025 or earlier.

June 2027 (indicative) · HEAT RELEASE · IMPORTANT

Student Higher Education Track 2025/2026 Data and Dashboard Released

The publication of a dashboard and dataset for Students expected to enter higher education in 2025 or earlier.

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15 June 2027 · HEAT RELEASE

Summer 2027 Update Released to LIVE

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August 2027 (indicative) · HEAT RELEASE · IMPORTANT

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About this document

This is a printable copy of the Service Schedule for Academic year 2026/27, in date order. Keyword search, the Month and Academic year filters, the HEAT Release / HEAT Event / Member Action filters, the List and Month views, the Previous / Next / Upcoming highlights, item details with their linked updates, and Save Schedule (calendar subscription, PDF and CSV) are available only on the live page.