How do I view my Early Assessment results?

You can view your results by accessing your student profile on PeopleSoft. There are a few steps involved but it's well worth it. Visit the UCT website, click on *Current Students – Undergraduates – Online Services and Resources – Student Administration Self Service* and then log in to your *Student Center*.

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3. You can also see the class average for the course via the *View Mid Term Course Grade Averages* link.

What does it all mean?

The results you see online will be one of the following:

- A percentage this is the mark based on your mid-term grades (possibly the tests, assignments and tutorials completed thus far)
- EXA (Excused from Assessment) or AB (Absent) reflect that you did not participate in the assessment
- OS indicates that your mark is not available yet.
- A blank space indicates that no marks have been entered.

While these indicators should be taken seriously, keep in mind that this is your chance to improve. This could involve working harder OR being supported in the hard work you're already doing. If you require a bursary progress report at this stage, it is best to obtain an official report from the Fees Office rather than download one from PeopleSoft. This will

indicate that your courses are all "in progress" at this early stage.

What happens when I get back?

When you get back for term two, based on your Early Assessment results, you may be asked to see a student advisor. They'll chat with you about your experiences, the difficulties you may be facing, and advise you on where to get help. In some faculties you will also be advised about possible changes you could make to your degree.

Who can I approach for help at ANY time?

If you find that you're struggling there are few avenues you can explore. All of them may not be available in your faculty but it's important for you to talk to someone and not feel that you have to manage on your own.

- Your tutor or the course convenor for the course you're having problems with.
- Your departmental student advisor
- The academic support provided by your course or faculty, like hot seats or extra tutorials.
- Your faculty or residence mentor: They're not tutors but may be able to speak from first-hand experience.
- The Writing Centre if you're struggling with writing your essays or assignments.

If you're struggling with issues outside of the course (personal, family or relationship) maybe you should visit your faculty counsellor or one of the psychologists at the Student Wellness Centre.

Use Early Assessment as a chance to get a feel for how you're doing. If your results aren't as good as you hoped they would be; it's not the end of the world. It signals that you need to do something differently and there are people to help.