

CONNECTED FOR SUCCESS:

HOW UA92'S NETWORK ENABLES DIGITAL-FIRST LEARNING

ABOUT

UNIVERSITY ACADEMY 92 (UA92)

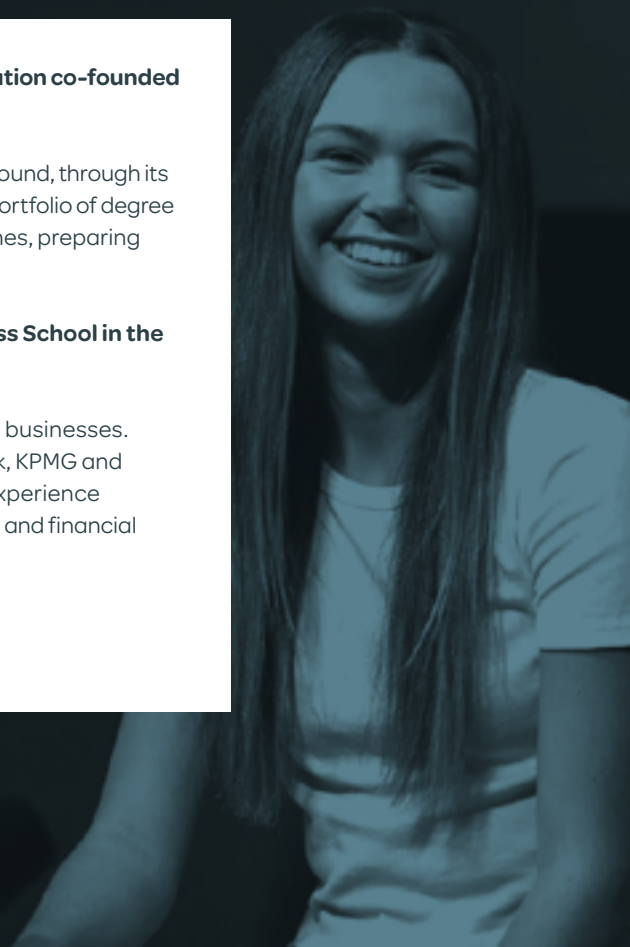
University Academy 92 (UA92) is a groundbreaking higher education institution co-founded by the Class of '92 and Lancaster University.

It is committed to making higher education accessible to all no matter the background, through its founding principles of accessibility, social mobility and inclusivity. UA92 offers a portfolio of degree and higher education courses across business, sport, media and digital disciplines, preparing students for the world of work by offering industry-led courses.

The main UA92 campus is based in Old Trafford Manchester, with a Business School in the city centre.

UA92 gives students a clear route into industry by opening the door to leading businesses. Working in partnership with leading industry names including Microsoft, TalkTalk, KPMG and Manchester United, students benefit from mentors, guest lectures and work experience opportunities, in addition to a character and personal development programme, and financial support beyond traditional scholarships and government loans.

UA92 degrees are accredited by Lancaster University.
For more information, visit www.ua92.ac.uk



THE CHALLENGE

'OUR INNOVATIVE APPROACH TO EDUCATION DEMANDS A NETWORK THAT MATCHES OUR AMBITIONS – RESILIENT, SCALABLE AND CAPABLE OF DELIVERING SEAMLESS EXPERIENCES TO EVERY USER.'

RENE LEWIS
DIRECTOR OF DIGITAL SERVICES
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THE SOLUTION

'TALKTALK BUSINESS WORKED CLOSELY WITH OUR TEAM TO DELIVER A BESPOKE SOLUTION THAT MEETS OUR CURRENT NEEDS AND SETS US UP FOR SUCCESS IN THE FUTURE. THEIR PROACTIVE APPROACH MADE THE ENTIRE PROCESS STRAIGHTFORWARD AND COLLABORATIVE.'

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THE OUTCOME

'OUR NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE HAS DELIVERED EVERYTHING WE NEED TO MAINTAIN SEAMLESS OPERATIONS. WE GOT A SERVICE WE KNOW WE CAN RELY ON, AND IT SUPPORTS BOTH OUR ACADEMIC AND COMMERCIAL GOALS.'

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UA92's innovative teaching model depends on having a resilient network that can support its progressive, digital-first curriculum. Across its two Manchester sites, the university needed a robust connectivity solution that would ensure seamless learning while also supporting its commercial objectives, which includes hosting conferences and events.

A key challenge lay in creating a network infrastructure reliable enough to handle high volumes of traffic during peak periods, especially during critical times such as student application windows. And with resilience and flexibility in mind, UA92 also needed a solution that could support its long-term vision.

To meet UA92's unique needs, TalkTalk Business delivered a dual-circuit dedicated leased line solution. The setup included a primary 5Gbps connection over a 10Gbps bearer, enabling immediate scalability as the university's needs grow. This was supported by a secondary 1Gbps resilient connection.

The solution is configured so UA92 can use both circuits simultaneously for optimised, continuous service. This provides them with the flexibility to maintain high traffic levels in peak periods, as well as adding additional operational reliability.

Further, as it follows the Resilience Option 2 (RO2) standard – with circuits physically routed to diverse exchanges, ensuring continuous service even in the event of an issue at the local exchange or the connector node.

An additional benefit of this configuration is the peace of mind it provides UA92. Unlike a dormant backup that activates in the event of a failure, the secondary connection is live and functioning. This removes any uncertainty, giving the UA92 team confidence that their network is consistently reliable and that their operations will continue without interruption, no matter what.

The hands-on, proactive support that the TalkTalk Business team provided throughout the installation process has helped to build a strong working relationship and UA92 knows it can rely on this partnership as it grows. The university is now well-equipped to deliver its digital and flexible curriculum across both sites.

The resilient network infrastructure enables continuous access to online resources, handles peak traffic times with ease and provides the robust digital foundations UA92 needs for hosting events.

By futureproofing UA92's connectivity, TalkTalk Business has helped the university to maintain its position at the forefront of education innovation, while enabling flexible scalability as its requirements evolve.

ABOUT THE FOUNDERS

THE CLASS OF 92

UA92 was co-founded by the renowned Class of 92 – legends of one of the Premier League's most successful teams – in partnership with Lancaster University.

Known for their exceptional careers on and off the pitch, the Class of 92 – which includes Gary Neville, Paul Scholes, Ryan Giggs, Phil Neville, and Nicky Butt – have instilled their values of resilience, ambition and community impact into the core of UA92.

With their involvement, students gain access to valuable industry connections, unique learning opportunities and a curriculum designed to cultivate and develop well-rounded professionals.

