



Zhang Hua  
By email

Reference: FOI-2020-430

9 July 2020

Dear Zhang Hua,

Your request was received on 19 June 2020 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').

You asked:

*Application numbers for students on all MPhil programmes in the Department of Archaeology, from 2015 to 2020 entry inclusive, indicating the number of applicants, the number of places given, and the number of acceptances.*

*Please could this be broken down by nation (international, EU or UK), gender, and previous institution and degree, as well as its classification.*

This information is attached (2020/2021 data is incomplete as the cycle is ongoing). The University has not supplied the classification/grade of each applicant because, coupled with the other information, it believes that individuals could be identified as a result. In presenting the information in this way, the University is engaging the exemption at section 40(3A)(a) of the Act because release in the precise format requested would breach the first data protection principle (the fair, lawful and transparent processing of personal data) as set out in the General Data Protection Regulation. This part of section 40 confers absolute exemption under the Act.

Please note that the attached document should not be copied, reproduced or used except in accordance with the law of copyright.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request an internal review of this decision, you should contact us quoting the reference number above. The University would normally expect to receive your request for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this letter and reserves the right not to review a decision where there has been undue delay in raising a complaint. If you are not content with the outcome of your

The Old Schools  
Trinity Lane  
Cambridge, CB2 1TN

Tel: +44 (0) 1223 764142  
Fax: +44 (0) 1223 332332  
Email: [foi@admin.cam.ac.uk](mailto:foi@admin.cam.ac.uk)  
[www.cam.ac.uk](http://www.cam.ac.uk)

review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the University. The Information Commissioner may be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF (<https://ico.org.uk/>).

Yours sincerely,

Zoe Allwood