



J Malko
By email

Reference: FOI-2020-498

10 August 2020

Dear J Malko,

Your request was received on 16 July 2020 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').

You asked:

I would like to request the following data for the admissions of mature students to the University's 25 undergraduate colleges (excluding Lucy Cavendish, Hughes Hall, St Edmund's, and Wolfson) during the 2015-2020 entry cycles;

- 1) The courses and colleges which they were admitted to*
- 2) The applicants' most recent qualification(s) obtained (e.g. A Levels, IB, Access to HE, undergraduate degree)*
- 3) The age of the applicants*

As mentioned above, the requested data is for mature students (21 or over) admitted to the University's 25 undergraduate colleges (i.e. not the colleges that are exclusively for mature aged students)

This information is attached. (Please note, incidentally, that the 4 Colleges you list are for mature students but this does include mature undergraduates.) Some numbers between 1 and 2 inclusive (but not zero) have been suppressed to prevent the risk of any individual being identified. In presenting the information in this way, the University is engaging the exemption at section 40(3A)(a) of the Act because the release of the raw data 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.

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Yours sincerely,

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