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Dear Mr / Ms Smith,

Your request for information received on 20 October 2021 has now been considered. A response to your enquiry is provided below.

*I would like to request the following data relating to all Medicine courses (i.e. both the A100 and A101 - not including graduate entry medicine) offered by your university.*

*I am requesting the data for candidates who received offers for one of the aforementioned medicine courses in the UCAS admissions cycle: 2018/2019, 2019/2020, 2020/2021 admissions cycles (I refer to these candidates as 'the offer holders'). I request the following data for each admissions cycle:*

*The number of applicants who were either planning to complete, or had completed, an Access to Higher Education diploma as their most recent qualification.*

Year	Total applicants with Access to HE as most recent qualification
2018/2019	Information not held – our admissions records did not record most recent qualification for this entry year
2019/2020	20
2020/2021	22

*The number of offer holders who were either planning to complete, or had completed, an Access to Higher Education diploma as their most recent qualification.*

Year	Total offer holders with Access to HE as most recent qualification
2018/2019	<5
2019/2020	<5
2020/2021	5

**The University has not been able to give the exact counts of five or less. This information is exempt under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as disclosure of this information would breach one of the data protection principles; if linked with other personal identifiers in the public domain, it would be likely to become personal data and subsequently identify an individual. The University has inserted a Less than five (<5) value where applicable.**

*The average, highest, and lowest UCAT/BMAT (whichever is applicable) score of offer holders who were either planning to complete, or had completed, an Access to Higher Education diploma as their most recent qualification.*

Year	Average UCAT score of offer holders with Access to HE as most recent qualification
2018/2019	2493
2019/2020	2525
2020/2021	2538

The University has not been able to give the lowest or highest scores because of the low numbers of individuals involved. This information is exempt under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as disclosure of this information would breach one of the data protection principles; if linked with other personal identifiers in the public domain, it would be likely to become personal data and subsequently identify an individual. The University has provided an average UCAT score.

*The number of applicants who were either planning to complete, or had completed, A Levels as their most recent qualification.*

Year	Total applicants with A Levels as most recent qualification
2018/2019	Information not held
2019/2020	Information not held – our admissions records did not record most recent qualification for this entry year
2020/2021	3133

*The number of offer holders who were either planning to complete, or had completed, A Levels as their most recent qualification.*

Year	Total offer holders with A Levels as most recent qualification
2018/2019	953
2019/2020	624
2020/2021	543

*The Average, highest, and lowest UCAT/BMAT (whichever is applicable) score of offer holders who were either planning to complete, or had completed, A Levels as their most recent qualification.*

Year	Total applicants with A Levels as most recent qualification
2018/2019	Information not held – our admissions records did not record most recent qualification for this entry year
2019/2020	2500
2020/2021	Not applicable - a combined point score was generated through assessment of UCAT and GCSE and the combined scores were used in selection. The process will not be used for entry in 2022

If you are unhappy with the way we have handled your request for information, you have a right under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act to ask the University to review it; however, you must do so within 40 working days of the date of this response. Your request should include our reference number and explain the reason for requesting a review. Email [foi@liverpool.ac.uk](mailto:foi@liverpool.ac.uk) or write to the Freedom of Information Reviewer, Legal & Governance, University of Liverpool, Foundation Building, 765 Brownlow Hill, Liverpool L69 7ZX. We will respond to your request for an internal review within 20 working days of receipt.

Following an internal review, if you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF. Telephone: 0303 123 1113 [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk).

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely

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