



Daniel Jones
By email

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Dear Mr Jones,

Your request was received on 15 February 2022 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').

You asked:

I would like to know the following information for each year about the new MPhil Genomic medicine from the year this course started (2016).

- 1. Number of applications*
- 2. Number of offers given*
- 3. Number of candidates who joined the program*
- 4. Following Details of each of the offer holder who joined the program in a tabular format:*
 - a) Nationality*
 - b) First degree , subject, the university, and their grade*
 - c) prior masters degree - yes/no. If yes, the subject, the university, and the grade*
 - d) years of work experience . If greater than 0 years, job title of the last held job prior to joining the program*
 - e) Age*
 - f) Scholarship (yes or no). If yes, name of the funding body*
 - g) The Cambridge college which offered accommodation*
 - h) Enrolled for PhD after completing MPhil in Genomic medicine - yes or no. If yes, the Department/Faculty/Name of supervisors/Research area .*

Information answering questions 1, 2 and 3 is attached.

Information answering questions 4a, 4b, 4c, 4e and 4g is also attached. Questions 4b and 4c have been answered based on most recent qualification and we have not supplied the grades of each student because, coupled with the other information, we believe that individuals could be identified as a

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Information within the scope of questions 4d, 4f and 4h is only held insofar as it might be contained within individual application forms and other scattered University records – this information cannot be sourced from our databases. The University has estimated that the time required to determine whether the information sought in these questions is held and thereafter to locate, retrieve and extract it would considerably surpass 18 hours of staff time charged at £25 per hour, and therefore that your request exceeds the appropriate limit of £450 as set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

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Yours sincerely,

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