

Information Assurance and Governance Office of the Principal

22 October 2021

Dear Jail,

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 Our Ref: 397-21

I refer to your enquiry dated 11 October 2021 asking to be supplied with the following information under the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 ("the FOISA"):

- Available statistics regarding the A990 Canadian Programme for the 2021 entry year. I am requesting the following:
 - a) The number of applications for the A990 course.
 - b) The number of interviews offered for the A990 course.
 - c) The number of offers made for the A990 course.
 - d) The number of entrants for the A990 course.
 - e) The lowest, average and highest UCAT score of an applicant invited for an interview.
 - f) The lowest, average and highest UCAT score of an applicant offered a place to study on the A990 course.
 - g) The lowest, average and highest UCAT Band (SJT) score of an applicant offered a place to study on the A990 course.
 - h) A list of applicants offered a place to study on the A990 course by UCAT Band (SJT) score

You have asked that if certain data is not available for the 2021 entry year, the processing of your request for information could be delayed until such time as data for academic year 2021/22 is available.

The current position is that data pertaining to entry in academic year 2021/22 is in the process of being produced. Because the FOISA legislation is time-bound, unfortunately, I am unable to fulfil your request to simply delay responding and would advise you to re-submit your request for information next month when it is anticipated that the 2021/22 data will be available and this will be considered afresh.

Section 17 of the FOISA requires that a Scottish public authority confirms in writing where information requested of it is not held. To meet the requirements of the FOISA, notice is given that at the time of receiving your request and processing this response, the information requested is not held by the University.

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Your right to seek a review of how your information request was managed

If you are not satisfied with the University's response and/or our reasoning set-out above, you have the right to request a review of our decision. The timelines in which this right is available are set out in section 20(5)(a) and (b) FOISA. In broad terms the right to seek a review must be exercised within 40 working days of receiving this response.

The Information Assurance and Governance team are currently working remotely due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Any request for review at this time should be sent by email to foi@st-andrews.ac.uk stating:

- a) your name and address;
- b) details of your original request; and
- c) the reasons why you are dissatisfied with our response.

If you remain dissatisfied with how your request for information has been dealt with following Review, you also have the right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner (SIC) for a decision. In the event of an appeal to the SIC, the Commissioner will generally only be able to investigate the matters raised in the request for review.

Details on how to make an appeal online to the SIC can be found on their website: http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/YourRights/Unhappywiththeresponse/AppealingtoCommissioner.aspx.

This concludes the University's response.

Yours sincerely

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Information Assurance and Governance Officer