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Our Ref: FOI 19 1369

Date: 22nd August 2019

Dear Ms Wilson,

**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request and your interest in the University of Bedfordshire.

**Request**

You requested the following information:

1. The number of students who have been enrolled in, and graduated from, the Frontline program for social work, from the period of 2014-2019.

You noted that Frontline enrolment and awarding of degrees is administered and accredited by the University of Bedfordshire. Students are awarded with a Post Graduate Diploma (social work) after one year of study and a Masters (social work) after two years of study.

You added that it would be particularly helpful if the following table could be completed, breaking down new enrolment numbers, Diploma graduate numbers and Masters graduate numbers in each year.

# New Enrolments # Awarded PGDip # Awarded Masters

2014

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

**Response**

In response to question 1, please see the tables below:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Cohort start date | | | | | |
| 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| Students enrolled | 104 | 123 | 155 | 282 | 336 | 393\*2 |
| Students qualifying with PG Dip (Social Work) and entitled to apply for registration with HCPC | 100 | 117 | 141 | 251 | Not yet available. Awards announced on 25th September 2019. | N/A |
| Participants still completing Year 1  (Frontline) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | N/A | N/A |
| Students enrolled on final 60 credits of Masters  (Final 60 credits are optional) | 91 | 107 | 130 | Insufficient data to report due to Exam Board timing | N/A | N/A |
| Students achieving 180 credits in total | 79 | 90 | 84 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Participants still completing academic component | 2 | 0 | 8 | N/A | N/A | N/A |

If you are not satisfied by the way we have handled your request, you can request a review by writing to the Senior Legal Officer.

If you are unhappy with the way the University handles your request through our appeals process, you have a right to appeal to the information commissioner at: The Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Tel 08456 306060 or 01625 545745 or alternatively visit their website at [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely,

University of Bedfordshire