



Lucy Bamford
By email

Reference: FOI-2020-663

2 October 2020

Dear Ms Bamford,

Your request was received on 11 September 2020 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').

You asked:

I am writing to request the FULL text in the offer conditions of all mature offer holders for G100 maths, for all admissions cycles in the last 7 years (2014-2020 inclusive).

- I would also like to know whether they fulfilled the offer, and if possible what grades they achieved/applied with, in each case aligning the offer condition with the results. Please indicate also from which college the offer was made.*
- Additionally I would like the STEP results and interview scores of these candidates, again aligned with the offer conditions. If all this is not possible due to the Act, then please preserve as many of the above "aligned metrics" as requested, first prioritising presenting the interview scores instead in a randomised fashion (of course, for whom there were 2 interviews please align the 2 scores for the candidate).*

We do not hold interview scores; all interview processes for entry to undergraduate degree courses at the University are set and managed locally by each of the individual Colleges, each of which is a separate legal entity and public authority under the Act.

The rest of the information requested, taken as a whole, is refused under section 12(1) of the Act. You have requested a highly detailed set of statistical information that cannot all be sourced straightforwardly from a single database and therefore would require the formulation of specialist queries and report, and some manual analysis, in order for it to be generated. The University has estimated that the time required to locate, retrieve and extract the information you have requested 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

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Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004. Furthermore, the presentation of the data we hold across a single table 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 and as such it would be exempt under section 40(3A)(a) of the Act.

The University is mindful of its duty under section 16(1) of the Act to advise and assist you. We could supply the following information: (i) a table of offer details, including College details but grouped to some degree; (ii) a separate table of exam results (including STEP), including College details but grouped to some degree; and (iii) a final summary of offers and acceptances by College. You will need to submit a new request under the Act if you wish the University to supply this information.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request an internal review of this decision, you should contact us quoting the reference number above. The University would normally expect to receive your request for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this letter and reserves the right not to review a decision where there has been undue delay in raising a complaint. If you are not content with the outcome of your review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the University. The Information Commissioner may be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF (<https://ico.org.uk/>).

Yours sincerely,

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