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What do they know

(By Email)

26 November 2018

Dear Mr Kong

**Re: request for information under The Freedom of Information Act.**

Further to your request for information dated 21 October 2018, please find attached the University of Birmingham's response. If you have any queries with regard to this letter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Please note our statement in respect of Copyright, which is also attached.

If you are dissatisfied with the manner in which your request has been dealt with, you may ask for an internal review. The University's Complaints and Appeals procedure is available at  
<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/university/governance/policies-regs/information/index.aspx>

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Team  
University of Birmingham

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**Your request for information reads:**

*“For the years 2015-2018 entry for A100 Medicine:*

- 1. Number of applicants*
- 2. Number of applicants interviewed*
- 3. Offers given*
- 4. Cut off score (1-10) for those asked to interview*
- 5. UKCAT deciles and score for deciles*
- 6. UKCAT scores for each decile.”*

**The University of Birmingham responds:**

The University of Birmingham is required to respond to a request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“the Act”) if it holds the information being requested, unless it is appropriate to apply one of the limited exemptions set out in the Act.

Information about the A100 Medicine admissions process can be found at:

<https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/courses/med/medicine.aspx#CourseDetailsTab>

Please see the Refusal Notice below which explains why information relating to questions 1 and 3 is not being provided.

The attached table which details the information requested in questions 2, 4, 5 and 6.

## **Refusal Notice**

Reasons for non-disclosure

### **Section 21 – Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information reasonably accessible by other means**

In this case, the information requested is available either through UCAS (The Universities and Colleges Admissions Service) <http://www.ucas.com/>, <https://www.ucas.com/corporate/data-and-analysis/analytical-data-services/exact> & <https://www.ucas.com/corporate/data-and-analysis> and the University has provided you with links to their websites. Under section 21 the public authority is not required to provide the applicant with the information being sought even if there may be a charge for obtaining that information from another source.

This is an absolute exemption

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