



Information Assurance and Governance
Office of the Principal

2 March 2020

Dear Mrs Sharp,

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002
Our Ref: 49-20

I refer to your enquiry received on 3 March 2020 asking to be supplied with information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 ("the FOISA") as outlined below in relation to the A100 Medicine course.

The University of St Andrews operates a three-year BSc (Honours) Medicine programme that has UCAS code A100. Graduates of this programme then go on to complete an MBChB/MBBS qualification at a Partner Medical School.

In the first year of this programme students undertake two modules and are required to pass both in order to progress. Students retaking modules are only eligible to retake one of the first two modules.

For UK/EU applicants for undergraduate 2017 entry, 2018 entry and 2019 entry:

1. The number of applications
2. The number of applicants who were invited to interview.
3. The number of offers made.
4. The number of people who actually enrolled onto the course as a result of the admissions process.

Table 1: Number of UK and EU UCAS applications, interviews, offers and entrants to A100 BSc Medicine

| | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Number of Applications | 758 | 862 | 874 |
| Number of Interviews | 395 | 366 | 393 |
| Number of Offers | 251 | 323 | 316 |
| Number of Entrants | 102 | 116 | 112 |

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5. The number of RUK people enrolled through clearing with at least AAA and how many with grades lower than AAA.

The University did not have any places available through Clearing/Adjustment.

6. For 2016 entry, 2017 entry and 2018 entry:-
- a) The number of medical students who failed to meet the academic standard required for progression to year 2 of your medicine degree (i.e. those who failed the exam)

Table 2: Number of students who failed either (or both) of the first-year modules and were ineligible to progress to year 2

| Academic Year | Head Count |
|---------------|------------|
| 2016-17 | 16 |
| 2017-18 | 16 |
| 2018-19 | 10 |

- b) The number of medical students who passed the resit examination (written exam only) and progressed to year 2 of your medical degree.

The records that we hold relates to students passing the overall module rather than any individual component and this data is presented in tables 3 and 4 below.

Table 3: Number of students who passed either (or both) first year modules following a resit and were eligible to progress to year 2.

| Academic Year | Head Count |
|---------------|------------|
| 2016-17 | 18 |
| 2017-18 | 14 |
| 2018-19 | 16 |

- c) The number of students who failed the resit examination (written exam only)

Table 4: Number of students who failed a resit examination

| Academic Year | Head Count |
|---------------|------------|
| 2016-17 | 16 |
| 2017-18 | 15 |
| 2018-19 | 10 |

- d) The number of students who chose to retake first year medicine.

Table 5: Number of students who are retaking part of first year of the BSc Medicine course

| Academic Year | Head Count |
|---------------|------------|
| 2017-18 | 16 |
| 2018-19 | 12 |
| 2019-20 | 6 |

Information not held

The University does not hold the specific information you have requested in relation to parts 5, 6(b) and 6(c) and notice is given under section 17 of the FOISA to this effect.

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.

Any request for review should be put in writing or some other permanent form e.g. an e-mail and should be sent to the University of St Andrews, through the contact details provided below. A request for a Review should:

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

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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>

Alternatively, you can contact the SIC by post, telephone or email at:

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This concludes the University's response.

Yours sincerely

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