

Jack Lee By email

Reference: FOI-2021-121

4 March 2021

Dear Mr Lee.

Your request was received on 5 February 2021 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').

You asked:

- 1. I would like to request, separated into columns for international applicants and EU/UK applicants:
- -the lower quartile, median and upper quartile A-level grades (4A*, 3A* etc.) and PUM/UMS for offer holders -the lower quartile, median and upper quartile age of students beginning their first year undergraduate course -no. of applicants and offer holder from Malaysia -no. of applicants and offer holders who took Further Maths in A levels
- 2. The same information as 1. for Engineering and Chemical Engineering

This information is attached for the last completed admissions cycle. In the table about age, some numbers have been suppressed to prevent the risk of any individual being identified. In presenting the information in this way, the University is engaging the exemption at section 40(3A)(a) of the Act because the release of the raw data 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. This part of section 40 confers absolute exemption under the Act.

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Yours sincerely,

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