



Neil Huang
By email

Reference: FOI-2021-369

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Dear Mr Huang,

Your request was received on 20 April 2021 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').

You asked:

I would like a breakdown of the number of applicants with the university from which they are applying including whether or not they received an offer, accepted the offer and achieved the offer. As well as their Results in the final year if possible.

This is for the masters courses in MPhil Bioscience Enterprise and MPhil Biotechnology. For the years 2017/2018, 2018/2019 and 2019/2020.

This information is attached insofar as it is held (the MPhil in Biotechnology did not run in 2017/18). The University has not supplied the final-year results of each applicant (where held) because, coupled with the other information, it believes that individuals could be identified as a result. In presenting the information in this way, the University is engaging the exemption at section 40(3A)(a) of the Act because release in the precise format requested would breach the first data protection principle (the fair, lawful and transparent processing of personal data) as set out in the UK 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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