

Ian Hoffman By email

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Dear Mr Hoffman,

Your request was received on 17 August 2017 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').

You asked:

I am writing to you to enquire about your policy regarding AS Level modular examination resits (for the June following the initial attempt), concerning your medicine (A100) course. It is my understanding that on the SAQ form candidates are required to complete, any resit intentions must be declared. I would like to know if, for this course:

- a) Are those who indicate that they intend to resit one single module looked upon less favourably by the admissions staff involved in the decision to offer a candidate a place onto the course, both generally and in the case of near-misses?
- b) Would it be advantageous for candidates to resit one AS module where there has been a near miss (in terms of both grade and UMS score), but their overall grade remains unaffected and meets the entry requirements of your institution for this course, or would it be preferable/advantageous to not resit at all?

Insofar as information is held to answer these questions, it is published under 'What's the University's position on exam resits?' at http://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/find-out-more/faq.

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 write to Dr Kirsty Allen, Head of the Registrary's Office, quoting the reference above, at The Old Schools, Trinity Lane, Cambridge, CB2 1TN or send an email marked for her attention to foi@admin.cam.ac.uk. 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

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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,

James Knapton