

J.M. Hubbard

By email only to request-564912-e47180fc@whatdotheyknow.com

17 April 2019

Dear J.M. Hubbard,

Our ref: FOI-19-0089

Thank you for your correspondence of 28 March 2019, in which you requested the following information from the University of Sussex.

Request

1. Please provide me with data on the number of Sussex students who took their own lives between the year 2017 and the date of this request.
2. Can you please confirm that the number of such deaths between the years of 2012-2017 amounted to 6 (including a staff member who was also a student in 2015)?

Response

Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the Act").

Please see below for information relating to the number of recorded suicides*, by academic year:

Year	Number of suicides*
2012/13	2
2013/14	0
2014/15	3
2015/16	0
2016/17	1
2017/18	1
2018/19 (to 16/04/19)	1

**Please note that the University only records death of a student as suicide where the coroner has determined a verdict of suicide and that fact has been notified to the University.*

If you are not satisfied with this response you may request a review but this must be within 40 days of receiving this response. In the first instance please write to Alexandra Elliott, the Head of Information Management and Compliance, at the address below. Full details of our Freedom of Information internal review procedure are at:

<http://www.sussex.ac.uk/ogs/policies/information/foi/procedure>.

If you need to contact us about your request please quote your reference number FOI-19-0089.

Yours sincerely,

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