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Our Ref: FOI 2021/390 - F1209972

Dear Michael Stafford,

**Re: Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 – Request for Information**

Thank you for your email which was received by the University on 04 September timed 17:48 hours requesting the following:

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**I am writing to kindly request the following information regarding admissions to Undergraduate Dentistry (A200) in the following years; 2018, 2019 and 2020 and 2021 (if available) for school leavers.**

**For each of the years can you clarify the number of applicants, number of applicants called for interview, the number of offers made**

**Can you clarify how each of the elements of the selection process are weighted to arrive at an offer of an interview GCSE results Predicted grades UCAT score personal statement**

**The highest, lowest or threshold UCAT score for undergraduate applicants to Dentistry A200 at the University of Glasgow, who were subsequently invited to interview for each of the requested years.**

**Did you consider situational judgement score?**

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**University's Response**

Please note that the Dental School does not collect separate data for school leavers, therefore the information provided below relates to all categories of applicants to the Undergraduate Dentistry course (A200).

Data is not yet available for 2021 admissions as the Dental School will have no intake and the recruitment cycle is ongoing. The University of Glasgow does not hold the information that

you have requested and is not aware of any other public authority that could respond to your request. Section 17 of FOISA states that where public authorities receive requests for information that they do not hold, they must issue a notice advising that they do not hold the requested information.

**For each of the years can you clarify the number of applicants, number of applicants called for interview, the number of offers made.**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Applications</b>	<b>Interviews</b>	<b>Offers</b>
2020	487	208	136
2019	446	205	138
2018	462	200	133

**Can you clarify how each of the elements of the selection process are weighted to arrive at an offer of an interview GCSE results Predicted grades UCAT score personal statement**

The Dental School does not use weightings in its selection process. Applications are screened in line with entry requirements. This information is currently accessible online from the following locations:

<https://www.gla.ac.uk/undergraduate/degrees/dentistry/>  
[https://www.gla.ac.uk/media/Media\\_781704\\_smx.pdf](https://www.gla.ac.uk/media/Media_781704_smx.pdf)

Although the University of Glasgow does hold the information that you have requested, the information is exempt under section 25 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, as it is otherwise accessible.

Applicants who do not or cannot meet the criteria in the person specification will not be given further consideration. For candidates who meet the criteria in the person specification, the UCAT score is used to select the required number of applicants for interview. The percentile cut off for the UCAT score is determined on a yearly basis to allow the School to take forward the required number of applicants to the interview stage. If an applicant is not asked to attend interview, it is because their UCAT score was below the percentile cut off.

**The highest, lowest or threshold UCAT score for undergraduate applicants to Dentistry A200 at the University of Glasgow, who were subsequently invited to interview for each of the requested years.**

<b>Year</b>	<b>UCAT Cut-Off</b>
2020	2530
2019	2470
2018	2540

Please be advised that standard entry, Widening Participation applicants are eligible for a 10% concession.

### **Did you consider situational judgement score?**

No.

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<http://www.ipo.gov.uk/copy.htm>

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Online Appeal Service:

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By post:

The Scottish Information Commissioner  
Kinburn Castle  
Doubledykes Road  
St Andrews  
Fife  
KY16 9DS

Telephone: 01334 464610

Fax: 01334 464611

E-mail: [enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info)

An appeal, on a point of law, to the Court of Session may be made against a decision by the Commissioner.

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(<http://www.gla.ac.uk/services/dpfoioffice/policiesandprocedures/foisa-complaintsandreview/> )  
All complaints regarding requests for information will be handled in accordance with this procedure.

Yours Sincerely,

Data Protection and Freedom of Information Office