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Dear J. D. Thomas,

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the Act")

Further to your recent request for information held by King's College London, I am writing to confirm that the requested information is held by the university.

Your request

We received your information request on 18th May 2020 and have treated it as a request for information made under section 1(1) of the Act.

You requested the following information:

I would like to request for information regarding GRADUATE-ENTRY BDS Dentistry admissions.

- 1) Please could you provide me an excel sheet containing all of the following information for the past 3 BDS Dentistry admission cycles: 2017/2018, 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 (if available). If you do not have information for the years requested, I kindly ask for you to provide the statistics for the next most recent 3 years of admissions.
- * UCAT/UKCAT score cut-off
- * Mean UCAT/UKCAT for offer holders
- * Number of Applicants
- *Number Interviewed
- * Number of offers made
- 2) To what extent is the UCAT used in the selection process, when compared to academic qualifications (e.g. degree prediction, A-levels, GCSEs) and the personal statement?

- 3) What is the course size of the graduate-entry course? What is the course size of the total BDS cohort (including undergraduate-entry)?
- 4i) To what extent will the A-Level grades of applying graduates be considered once over the threshold?
- 4ii) If the A-Level grades are to be more heavily considered, is there a point system, and how are the points awarded?

Our response

1)

A202	2017	2018	2019
Applications	230	249	249
Interviewed	66	47	48
Offers	31	22	22
Mean UCAT score for offer			
holders	2028	2713	2738

- 2) The university does not use a cut-off score for the UCAT when assessing applicants. In the first instance applicants which have met the entry requirements are ranked by their UCAT performance relative to other applicants in the cohort and then invited for interview. Borderline cases may have their applications reviewed holistically.
- 3) The estimated cohort size for 2020 entry is 20 for A202 and 158 for A202, A204, A205, A206 combined.
- 4) See question 2 above.

This completes the university's response to your information request.

Your right to complain

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your information request or feel that it has not been properly handled you have the right to complain or request a review of our decision by contacting the Assistant Director of Business Assurance (Information Compliance) within 60 days of the date of this letter.

Further information about our internal complaints procedure is available at the link below:

http://www.kcl.ac.uk/college/policyzone/assets/files/governance and legal/Freed om of Information Policy updated Oct %202011.pdf

In the event that you are not content with the outcome of your complaint you may apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally the Information

Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the internal complaints procedure provided by King's College London.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

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