Information Assurance and Governance Office of the Principal

Dear Charlie,

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 Our Ref: 409-18

I refer to your request for information dated 03 December 2018. The University is responding under the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 ("the FOISA").

The University's response

1. Number of applications to each course in the 4 application categories; Scottish Applicants, Rest of UK, EU and International?

Table 1: Number of undergraduates applications (by FTE) separated by degree title and fee status for the past five academic years.

| Degree Title | Fee Status | 2014/5 | 2015/6 | 2016/7 | 2017/8 | 2018/9 |
|--|------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Master of Arts (Honours) History | Scotland | 117 | 154 | 166 | 151 | 169 |
| | EU | 75 | 83 | 101 | 103 | 97 |
| | RUK | 310 | 279 | 336 | 326 | 345 |
| | Overseas | 77 | 94 | 108 | 112 | 107 |
| Master of Arts (Honours) Mediaeval History | Scotland | 10 | 14 | 12 | 6 | 8 |
| | EU | 5 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 2 |
| | RUK | 16 | 23 | 13 | 11 | 12 |
| | Overseas | 6 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 9 |
| Total | | 616 | 655 | 746 | 721 | 749 |

2. Number of applications that met the entry requirements for each course for Scottish Applicants, Rest of UK, EU and International?

The University does not hold this information in a manner that can be retrieved and reported against.

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3. Number of unconditional Offers to Scottish Applicants, Rest of UK, EU and International?

Table 2: Number of undergraduate unconditional offers made (by FTE) separated by degree title and fee status for the past five academic years.

| Degree Title | Fee Status | 2014/5 | 2015/6 | 2016/7 | 2017/8 | 2018/9 |
|--|------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Master of Arts (Honours) History | Scotland | 51 | 35 | 37 | 32 | 45 |
| | EU | 2 | | | | |
| | RUK | 31 | 27 | 27 | 29 | 29 |
| | Overseas | 41 | 47 | 45 | 38 | 45 |
| Master of Arts (Honours) Mediaeval History | Scotland | 1 | 2 | 1 | | 1 |
| | EU | 1 | | | | |
| | RUK | 1 | 1 | | | 2 |
| | Overseas | 5 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| Total | | 133 | 118 | 113 | 102 | 128 |

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4. Number of conditional Offers to Scottish Applicants, Rest of UK, EU and International?

Table 3: Number of undergraduate conditional offers made (by FTE) separated by degree title and fee status for the past five academic years.

| Degree Title | Fee Status | 2 | 014/15 | | 2015/16 2016/17 | | | | | 2017/18 | | | | | | 2018/19 | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------|--------------|----------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------|-------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------|-------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------|-------------|----------|--------------|--------------|--------|-------------|----------|--------------|
| | | Applications | Offers . | Offer Rates | Entrants | Entrant Rate | Applications | Offers | Offer Rates | Entrants | Entrant Rate | Applications | Offers | Offer Rates | Entrants | Entrant Rate | Applications | Offers | Offer Rates | Entrants | Entrant Rate | Applications | Offers | Offer Rates | Entrants | Entrant Rate |
| Master of Arts (Honours) History | Scotland | 117 | 61 | 52% | 26 | 43% | 154 | 35 | 23% | 14 | 40% | 166 | 42 | 25% | 8 | 19% | 151 | 42 | 28% | 17 | 40% | 169 | 55 | 33% | 20 | 36% |
| | EU | 75 | 11 | 15% | 4 | 36% | 83 | 4 | 5% | 1 | 25% | 101 | 5 | 5% | 1 | 20% | 103 | 7 | 7% | 1 | 14% | 97 | 1 | 1% | | 0% |
| | RUK | 310 | 180 | 58% | 49 | 27% | 279 | 173 | 62% | 41 | 24% | 336 | 198 | 59% | 53 | 27% | 326 | 186 | 57% | 43 | 23% | 345 | 151 | 44% | 27 | 18% |
| | Overseas | 77 | 66 | 86% | 24 | 36% | 94 | 80 | 85% | 18 | 23% | 108 | 84 | 78% | 23 | 27% | 112 | 92 | 82% | 25 | 27% | 107 | 86 | 80% | 18 | 21% |
| Master of Arts (Honours) Mediaeval History | Scotland | 10 | 1 | 10% | | 0% | 14 | 2 | 14% | 2 | 100% | 12 | 1 | 8% | 1 | 100% | 6 | 0 | 0% | | | 8 | 2 | 25% | | 0% |
| | EU | 5 | 3 | 60% | 1 | 33% | 2 | 0 | 0% | | | 4 | 0 | 0% | | | 4 | 1 | 25% | | 0% | 2 | 0 | 0% | | |
| | RUK | 16 | 8 | 50% | 3 | 38% | 23 | 11 | 48% | 4 | 36% | 13 | 6 | 46% | 3 | 50% | 11 | 5 | 45% | 2 | 40% | 12 | 8 | 67% | 3 | 38% |
| | Overseas | 6 | 6 | 100% | 4 | 67% | 6 | 6 | 100% | 1 | 17% | 6 | 3 | 50% | 2 | 67% | 8 | 7 | 88% | 1 | 14% | 9 | 8 | 89% | 2 | 25% |
| Total | | 616 | 336 | 55% | 111 | 33% | 655 | 311 | 47% | 81 | 26% | 746 | 339 | 45% | 91 | 27% | 721 | 340 | 47% | 89 | 26% | 749 | 311 | 42% | 70 | 23% |

5. Number of rejected Scottish Applications, Rest of UK, EU and International?

Table 4: Number of undergraduate rejected applications (by FTE) separated by degree title and fee status for the past five academic years.

| Degree Title | Fee Status | 2014/5 | 2015/6 | 2016/7 | 2017/8 | 2018/9 |
|--|------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Master of Arts (Honours) History | Scotland | 53 | 114 | 122 | 100 | 104 |
| | EU | 61 | 78 | 96 | 95 | 94 |
| | RUK | 114 | 92 | 118 | 129 | 179 |
| | Overseas | 9 | 13 | 16 | 16 | 15 |
| Master of Arts (Honours) Mediaeval History | Scotland | 9 | 11 | 11 | 6 | 6 |
| | EU | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| | RUK | 8 | 11 | 7 | 6 | 4 |
| | Overseas | | | 2 | | 1 |
| Total | | 256 | 321 | 376 | 355 | 405 |

6. Number of places for each course put into clearing/adjustment available for Scottish, Rest of UK, EU and International applicants?

None; the University has not entered clearing, at any point during the period specified in your request.

7. Lowest grades for Scottish, Rest of UK, EU and International applicants given offers in the last 5 years without widening participation/contextual offers?

The University does not hold this information in a manner that can be retrieved, and reported.

8. Lowest grades for Scottish, Rest of UK, EU and International applicants accepted (unconditionally) in the last 5 years without widening participation/contextual offers?

The University does not hold this information in a manner that can be retrieved, and reported.

9. The offer and entrance rates for each course?

These are provided in Table 3, above.

Information not held

Freedom of information legislation requires that a public authority provide notice where information is not held. Notice is given per the provisions of FOISA, section 17(1) that the University does not hold information with reference to elements 2 and 7 of your request.

Your right to seek a review of how your information request was managed

If you are not satisfied with the University's response and/or our reasoning set-out above, you have the right to request a review of our decision. The time lines in which this right is available are set out in section 20(5)(a) and (b) FOISA. In broad terms the right to seek a review must be exercised within 40 working days of receiving this response.

Any request for review should be put in writing or some other permanent form e.g. an e-mail and should be sent to the University of St Andrews, through the contact details provided below.

A request for a Review should:

- a) state your name and address;
- b) describe the nature of your original request; and
- c) explain the reasons why you are dissatisfied with our response.

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If you remain dissatisfied with how your request for information has been dealt with following Review, you also have the right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner (SIC) for a decision. In the event of an appeal to the SIC, the Commissioner will generally only be able to investigate the matters raised in the request for review.

Details on how to make an appeal online to the SIC can be found on their website: http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/YourRights/Unhappywiththeresponse/AppealingtoCommissioner.as
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Alternatively, you can contact the SIC by post, telephone or email at:

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

Telephone: 01334 464610

E-mail: enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info Website: www.itspublicknowledge.info

This concludes the University's response. Yours sincerely,

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