



Oscar Goodrem
By email

Reference: FOI-2024-246

12 April 2024

Dear Mr Goodrem,

Your request was received on 18 March 2024 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').

You asked:

I would like to request the following information regarding Economics L100 for the 2022 and 2023 cycles:

- 1) Applications per place at each college offering undergraduate economics*
- 2) Percentage of successful undergraduate economics applicants who applied after taking a gap year (i.e. they didn't defer for a year)*
- 3) Percentage of successful undergraduate economic applicants who applied after taking a gap year per college also*
- 4) TMUA score averages for each college regarding successful and unsuccessful applicants*

The requested information, where held, is attached. The University does not record if applicants took gap years; we have instead supplied data about the deferred applicants. Some suppression has been applied to prevent the risk of any individual being identified. In presenting the information in this way, the University is engaging the exemption at section 40(3A)(a) of the Act because the release of the raw data would breach the first data protection principle (the fair, lawful and transparent processing of personal data) as set out in the UK General Data Protection Regulation. This part of section 40 confers absolute exemption under the Act.

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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 internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the internal review 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,

Zoe Allwood