



Ref. FOI/20190815/4

29 August 2019

Reply to request for information under Freedom of Information of Act	
Your Ref	Freedom of Information request - PPE Finals 2019
Address	N Dodds <request-597494-b89a4759@whatdotheyknow.com>
Request	<p>I am writing to request the following information regarding PPE finals 2019:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1.) the internal examiners' report of the examinations, including reports from all the relevant subject boards2.) the mean, standard deviation, maximum and minimum mark of all papers, including the theses

Dear Mr Dodds,

I write in reply to your email dated 15 August 2019 requesting the above information.

Item 1

The Internal Examiners' reports for the PPE finals will not be available until the Michaelmas Term. Accordingly, I suggest you reissue this request in mid-October 2019.

Item 2

Please find the information requested in the attached spreadsheet.

We have not included the data for papers that were sat by less than three candidates. We are concerned that providing this information might enable candidates to be identified by those with access to other information or knowledge. We therefore regard this information to be exempt from disclosure under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act. Section 40(2) provides an exemption from disclosure for information that is the personal data of an individual other than the requester, where disclosure would breach any of the data protection principles in Article 5 of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). We consider that disclosure of the information requested in the exact form requested would breach the first data protection principle, which requires that personal data is processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner. Disclosure would be unfair to the individuals concerned, as it would be contrary to their reasonable and legitimate expectations. They would not reasonably expect that information relating to their examination results would be made public under the FOIA without their consent.

For the disclosure of personal data to be lawful, it must have a lawful basis under Article 6 of the GDPR. There are six possible lawful bases in Article 6; we do not consider that any of them would be satisfied in respect of the disclosure.



The exemption in section 40(2) is an absolute exemption and is not subject to the public interest test provided for in section 2(2)(b) of the FOIA. To the extent that the public interest is relevant in this case, the University considers it is satisfied by the attached information.

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THE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

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Information Commissioner
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Wilmslow
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Tel: 0303 123113

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Yours sincerely,

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