



Mr Mohammed
By email

Reference: FOI-2021-900

17 December 2021

Dear Mr Mohammed,

Your request was received on 19 November 2021 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 most current suggested reading lists and course syllabus and past exam papers for 2015-2021 for the following courses:

- 1. Mathematical Tripos*
- 2. Natural Sciences Tripos*
- 3. Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos*
- 4. Computer Science Tripos*

Taken as a whole, your request is refused under section 12(1) of the Act. You have requested a very wide range of records that are neither held within one administrative Division nor one academic Department, and on occasion (in particular with regard to reading lists, and with regard to the multi-discipline Natural Sciences Tripos) are not held systematically. The University has estimated that the time required to locate, retrieve and extract all of the information you have requested would considerably surpass 18 hours of staff time charged at £25 per hour, and therefore that your request exceeds the appropriate limit of £450 as set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

Mindful of our duty under section 16(1) of the Act to advise and assist you, however, the University is able to direct you to the following published sources which together cover many of the categories of information you are interested in:

Mathematics

Reading list: <https://www.maths.cam.ac.uk/undergrad/admissions/files/reading-list.pdf>

Course information: <https://www.maths.cam.ac.uk/undergrad/course>

Past exam papers: <https://www.maths.cam.ac.uk/undergrad/pastpapers/past-ia-ib-and-ii-examination-papers>

Natural Sciences Tripos

Reading list: <https://www.natsci.tripos.cam.ac.uk/prospective-students/reading>

Course outlines: <https://www.natsci.tripos.cam.ac.uk/students/year-by-year>

Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos

General course information, including the structure and descriptions of psychology papers: <https://www.pbs.tripos.cam.ac.uk/>

Computer Science Tripos

Reading list: <https://www.cl.cam.ac.uk/library/booklists/>

Lecture course material for the current year: <https://www.cst.cam.ac.uk/teaching>

Lecture course material for previous years: <https://www.cst.cam.ac.uk/teaching/material>

Past exam papers: <https://www.cl.cam.ac.uk/teaching/exams/pastpapers/>

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request an internal review of this decision, you should contact us quoting the reference number above. The University would normally expect to receive your request for an internal review 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 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 complaints 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,

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