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Dear Mohammed Horace Zamany,

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 22 September 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 make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, regarding your A100 programmes, for the current year, if possible:

Could you please give a list of SJT band 1 and 2 candidates, detailing what UKCAT/UCAT scores they had, what GCSEs they had and whether they were rejected, interviewed or given an offer

Our response

Please see attached spreadsheet.

Please note:

- Data has been provided as it is stored in our systems.
 - o Our database stores the qualifications one row per qualification.
- There are two databases where we store qualifications

- SQE – UCAS provide us the grades if an applicant was studying the qualification at the time of application. UCAS verify these grades so they are the most reliable.
 - SQE data is stored by applicant and not by application. This means that if an applicant has applied for a course in two separate years at King’s, there could be duplications in the qualifications (i.e. not all of the qualifications will be relevant to the course applied for).
- SQF – if an applicant has already achieved their qualification, they would input this onto their application themselves. If the qualification was a condition of their offer, we would ask for proof of their award before issuing an unconditional offer. These grades are not necessarily accurate.
- Resits/remarks may be included in the data.
- Only interviews for the 2020 application cycle are included. Where an applicant has an offer but no interview listed it is likely that they deferred entry from the previous cycle.

Please note, metadata which could further link the dataset has been omitted as the University considers this data, in combination with information from other reasonable accessible sources, mean a picture of a student could be built via the jigsaw effect: making reidentification possible. Disclosure of this information would then contravene article 5(1) which requires personal data to be ‘processed lawfully, fairly, and in a transparent manner in relation to the data subject’. The rights of the individual, and the possible consequences of disclosure, make disclosure both unfair and unlawful. This information has therefore been withheld under s. 40(2).

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/Freedom_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
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Yours sincerely

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