

F (09/07) 140619-3 Student Deaths-RESPONSE

1. For each of the past ten academic years (2008-09 to 2018-19), how many Robert Gordon students have died while a student at the university?

2008/09	5
2009/10	6
2010/11	8
2011/12	6
2012/13	<5
2013/14	<5
2014/15	<5
2015/16	<5
2016/17	<5
2017/18	<5
2018/19	<5

2. Please provide, if possible, a breakdown by gender for each year.

Year	Female	Male
2008/09	Less than 5	Less than 5
2009/10	Less than 5	Less than 5
2010/11	Less than 5	Less than 5
2011/12	Less than 5	Less than 5
2012/13	Less than 5	Less than 5
2013/14	Less than 5	Less than 5
2014/15	Less than 5	Less than 5
2015/16	Less than 5	Less than 5
2016/17	Less than 5	Less than 5
2017/18	Less than 5	Less than 5
2018/19	Less than 5	Less than 5

3. For each of the past ten academic years (2008-09 to 2018-19), how many Robert Gordon students have committed suicide while a student at the university?

The University is unable to provide any data. There is no requirement on the part of the police or next of kin to share the circumstances of a student's death with us. Should highly sensitive information of this nature ever be made known the University it would be highly inappropriate of us to release it under the Act. We are therefore exempting the above information under section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 as we 'do not hold it'.

4. The university's rationale behind choosing to record or not to record student suicides

The University is unable to accurately obtain this data. See the above.

5. University policy regarding all actions the university take after a student commits suicide

If Student Life are aware of a student death of any kind they offer fellow roommates, classmates, family etc. support in various forms depending on what is needed.