

Rob Keasley
By email

Reference: FOI-2022-640

20 September 2022

Dear Mr Keasley,

Your request was received on 24 August 2022 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').

You asked:

Questions about student demographics:

1.1 In the final semester of the academic year 2020/2021 how many students in total (across all levels and modes of study) studied at your institution?

Of this total please provide a breakdown by:

1.2 Nationality

1.3 Ethnicity

1.4 The number that were required to provide evidence of English Language competence to commence study due to International status.

1.5 Disability, as a total figure and where possible a breakdown of type, for example in the following format:

A No disability

B social/communication impairment such as Asperger's syndrome/other autistic spectrum disorder

C Blind or have a serious visual impairment uncorrected by glasses

D Deaf or have a serious hearing impairment

E Long standing illness or health condition such as cancer, HIV, diabetes, chronic heart disease, or epilepsy

F Mental health condition, such as depression, schizophrenia or anxiety disorder

G Specific learning difficulty such as dyslexia, dyspraxia or AD(H)D

H Physical impairment or mobility issues, such as difficulty using your arms or using a wheelchair or crutches

I Disability, impairment or medical condition that is not listed above

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J Two or more impairments and/or disabling medical conditions

Academic misconduct questions:

Total number of referrals:

2.1 In the final semester of the academic year 2020/2021 how many students were referred for academic misconduct (institution wide)? If a student was referred more than once, please only count them once.

Of that number please provide a breakdown (in numbers) by:

2.2 Nationality

2.3 Ethnicity.

2.4 The number that were required to provide evidence of English Language competence to commence study due to International status.

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Total cases proved / substantiated

3.1. In the final semester of the academic year 2020/2021 how many student cases of academic misconduct (institution wide) were found proven/ substantiated? If a student was referred more than once, please only count them once.

Of that number please provide a breakdown (in numbers) by:

3.2. Nationality

3.3 Ethnicity.

3.4 The number that were required to provide evidence of English Language competence to commence study due to International status.

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4. Does your institution use Turnitin to help staff identify cases of academic misconduct?

5. Does your institution give students access to Turnitin to help students understand academic misconduct prior to submission of work? .

1. The information you have requested, insofar as it is held (we do not systemically record whether or not a student was 'required to provide evidence of English Language competence to commence study'), is returned by the University on annual basis as part of our statutory reporting requirement to the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA). Jisc runs a bespoke data enquiry service for members of the public on the basis of HESA data; details are published on the Jisc website at:

<https://www.jisc.ac.uk/tailored-datasets>

The University therefore considers that this information is reasonably accessible to you elsewhere and is exempt under section 21(1) of the Act, which confers absolute exemption. The Act explicitly states that 'information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment'

2 & 3. The information you have requested, insofar as it is held (we do not systemically record whether or not a student was 'required to provide evidence of English Language competence to commence study'), is published in the OSCCA Annual Reports. The most recent report is published at https://www.studentcomplaints.admin.cam.ac.uk/files/2020-21_oscca_annual_report.pdf . The University therefore considers that this information is reasonably accessible to you by other means and is exempt under section 21(1) of the Act, which confers absolute exemption.

4. Yes.

5. No.

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,

Zoe Allwood