



Joseph Francis
By email

Reference: FOI-2023-409

23 June 2023

Dear Mr Francis

Your request was received on 26 May 2023 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act').

You asked:

May I get the following information about the MPhil Modern Middle Eastern Studies and MPhil Middle Eastern Studies by Research for the previous academic cycles excluding the current one in 2023.

1. Successful applicants previous academic institution 2. Successful applicants previous academic grades (1st class, high 2nd class, low 2nd class, third)

The requested information is attached. Some suppression has been applied to prevent the risk of any individual being identified. In presenting the information in this way, the University is engaging the exemption at section 40(3A)(a) of the Act because the release of the raw data would breach the first data protection principle (the fair, lawful and transparent processing of personal data) as set out in the UK General Data Protection Regulation. This part of section 40 confers absolute exemption under the Act.

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Yours sincerely,

Zoe Allwood