

Elizabeth Bailey  
By email: request-907562-b3770e14@whatdotheyknow.com

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Dear Elizabeth Bailey,

**G01377: Freedom of Information Request**

We refer to your request for information dated 14 October 2022 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the “Act”). Please accept our apologies for the delay in responding to your request.

Please find below your question, with the University’s corresponding response.

**Question**

Under the Freedom Information Act, please could I request data relating to both 2020 and 2021 application cycles to Medicine (A100) please?

- 1) How many international applicants applied for the undergraduate medicine course?
- 2) How many international applicants were offered an interview?
- 3) How many international applicants were successful in receiving an offer?
- 4) What was the UCAT threshold for international applicants in 2020 and 2021 cycles?
- 5) Could a breakdown of Countries represented throughout international applications be shared via spreadsheet please?

Could the response be sent directly to this email address please?

**Answer**

In accordance with [Section 1\(1\)\(a\)](#) of the Act, we confirm that the University holds information of the description specified in your request.

#### Question 1-4

The information you have requested is publicly available from **UCAS public data**: [Undergraduate statistics and reports | UCAS](#). Please also review our responses to previous A100 Medicine requests by browsing to the University of Southampton section of the [What Do They Know site](#) and filtering by "A100".

As the requested information is already publicly available, it is reasonably accessible to you by other means and is therefore exempt information by virtue of [section 21](#)

#### Question 5

The information you have requested is publicly available from the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA): <https://www.hesa.ac.uk/services/custom/data/timescales-costs>.

HESA provides detailed data and analysis about the activities of universities, and is the official agency for the collection, analysis and dissemination of quantitative information about higher education in the UK.

HESA also provides custom data analysis requests, including a detailed custom analysis about the University of Southampton: <https://www.hesa.ac.uk/data-and-analysis/students/table-1>.

You may be required to [purchase a tailored dataset](#) to acquire a breakdown of Countries represented throughout international applications.

As the information you have requested is available at this time through HESA, it is reasonably accessible to you by other means, and the disclosure is exempt by virtue of [section 21](#).

If you do not feel that we have dealt with your request in accordance with the requirements of [Part I](#) of the Act, you may request a review. Your request for a review should specify in what respect you consider that the requirements of [Part I](#) have not been met. Please address your request for a review by completing this [form](#) and selecting Fol Review.

In accordance with section 5.3 of the [Code of Practice](#), a request for a review must be sent within 40 working days of the date of this letter. The University is not obliged to accept any requests for a review beyond 40 working days. We will acknowledge your request for a review and endeavour to respond within 20 working days of its receipt but please note that a deadline for a review response is not prescribed by the Act.

The Information Commissioner is responsible for enforcing rights of access to information and the operation of the publication scheme. You may apply to the Information Commissioner in writing (FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution, Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF) or [electronically](#) for a decision whether, in any specified respect, your request for information has been dealt with by the University in accordance with the requirements of [Part I](#) of the Act. The Information Commissioner will not normally act unless they are satisfied that the University's review procedure has been exhausted.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "foi".