Southampton

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18 December 2019

Dear Siobhan Igoe

Freedom of Information Act 2000Request for information: responseDate of request:13 November 2019Due date:11 December 2019Ref:RITM0240448

We refer to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

Please accept our sincere apologies for the delay in responding to your request.

Below is your question with the University's corresponding response.

Question

Under the freedom of information act I would like to request the following information for the 4 year medicine programme A101.

- 1-) The average UKCAT score to gain an interview for the last 3 years (A101)
- 2-) The average UKCAT score to gain an offer for the last 3 years (A10
- 3-) The interview scoring sheet for 2017 and 2018 entry (A101)
- 4-) What dates were interview invitations sent to A101 applications

Response:

In accordance with <u>section 1(a)</u> of the Act, we confirm that the University holds information of the description specified in your request. The answers to your questions are as follows:

We do not hold a record of the average UCAT score. However, we are able to provide you with the lowest UCAT score to gain an invite to interview over the past three years:
2019: 2810
2018: 2850
2017: 2150 (Please note: UKCAT introduced a new subsection this year and therefore only used 3 out of the 4 sub tests so all scores were much lower)

Offers are made based on interview performance. The UCAT score is only used in a tie between similarly scoring applicants.

Please see below. We are unable to provide you with a full version of our interview scoring sheet as some of the questions are still used in our current interviews.

Interview invites are sent out around 2 weeks before the interview date. Our interview dates over the past three years were:

2019: 30th and 31st January 2018: 7th and 8th February 2017: 9th and 11th January

If you do not feel that we have dealt with your request in accordance with the requirements of <u>Part I</u> of the Act, you may request a review. Your request for a review should specify in what respect you consider that the requirements of <u>Part I</u> have not been met. Please address your request to the Chief Operating Officer at the following address: <u>foi@soton.ac.uk</u>.

In accordance with section 5.3 of the <u>Code of Practice</u>, a request for a review must sent within 40 working days of the date of this email. The University is not obliged to accept any requests for a review beyond 40 working days.

We will endeavour to respond to your request for a review within 20 working days of receipt.

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 <u>electronically</u> 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 <u>Part I</u> of the Act. The Information Commissioner will not normally take action unless they are satisfied that the University's review procedure has been exhausted.

Yours sincerely,

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INTERVIEW RECORD SHEET

Notes for Interviewers

Please note that each interview should last for 20 minutes. Interviewers then have 10 minutes before the next applicant in order to complete this record sheet and agree a decision (see overleaf).

Interviewers are asked to explore the applicant's suitability in relation to the agreed non-academic criteria which are published in our prospectus. Please score the evidence at interview for the non-academic criteria on a 0-5 scale where:-

5 = outstanding; 4 = excellent; 3 = good; 2 = adequate; 1 = poor; 0 = no evidence **Please** <u>do not</u> award half scores.

Please agree with your co-interviewer whether the applicant is acceptable or not acceptable (i.e. Reject).

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