

From: Freedom of Information

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To:

Subject: Freedom of Information Response (Our Ref: K/20/176)

Dear

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Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) request dated 26 April 2020, reference K/20/176.

Your request read:

“For each of the last three academic years (2016/2017, 2017/2018 and 2018/2019) –

1. What was the total student headcount?
2. What number of students declared to the University as LGBTQ+?
3. What number of LGBTQ+ students withdrew from the University?
4. What was the total number of all students that withdrew from the University?
5. What were the outcomes of declared LGBTQ+ students in terms of degree classification?
6. What were the outcomes of all students in terms of degree classification?”

The University of Leeds holds this information. For your convenience we have responded to each of your questions in turn below.

1. What was the total student headcount?

This information is published in various places. As such, we will (as per section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act) direct you to the publicly available information. You can find this information in our Annual Reports and Accounts; published on our website for [2016/17](#); [2017/18](#) and [2018/19](#).

2. What number of students declared to the University as LGBTQ+?

This information is published by our Equality and Policy Unit, as part of our Registered Student Data. The links below relate to each of the years you have set out:

- [2016/17](#)
- [2017/18](#)
- [2018/19](#).

3. What number of LGBTQ+ students withdrew from the University?

4. What was the total number of all students that withdrew from the University?

We address these questions together:

	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Total withdrawals	1991	1666	1597
LGBTQ+ withdrawals	210*	129	116

* Figures for 2016/17 should be treated with caution; they are likely to appear inflated due to issues arising from the introduction of a new method of recording student sexual orientation.

5. **What were the outcomes of declared LGBTQ+ students in terms of degree classification?**
6. **What were the outcomes of all students in terms of degree classification?**

We address these questions together.

2016/17					
	First	Upper Second	Lower second	Third	Unclassified
LGBTQ+	61	131	25	5	7
All	1713	3243	677	71	336
2017/18					
	First	Upper Second	Lower second	Third	Unclassified
LGBTQ+	64	110	28	2	13
All	1866	3166	663	94	354
2018/19					
	First	Upper Second	Lower second	Third	Unclassified
LGBTQ+	57	111	23	6	8
All	2122	3341	715	78	372

“Unclassified” degrees relate to Medical and Dental degrees which are not split into the usual classifications.

We hope this information is helpful. If you have any questions about this email, however, please do not hesitate to contact us on foi@leeds.ac.uk

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you can request an Internal Review. Requests for Internal Review should be made in writing using the following contact information:

Post: Mr D Wardle
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The University of Leeds
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Email: foi@leeds.ac.uk

Requests for Internal Review should be submitted within 40 working days of receiving the University's response to your request. Further information about how the University manages Freedom of Information requests and about our complaints procedure is also available on our website (www.leeds.ac.uk).

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review/complaints procedure provided by the University. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Kind regards

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