

**From:** Freedom of Information

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**To:**

**Subject:** Freedom of Information Response (Our Ref: K/20/180)

Dear

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Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) request dated 7 May 2020, reference K/20/180.

Your request read:

“Thank you very much for your time. We are currently analysiing the data along with that from other universitties. We just had a few queries if thats ok. For the questions regarding age, specifically: "break down by age of the number of students in each year" and the "age breakdown of the total number of students who intercalated each year"; we were wodnering whether you could provide age ranges rather than individual ages. This would be incredibly helpful and make Leeds University data in line with that provided by other universities, which we could then combine. Would it be possible to use the age ranges: <20, 21-24, 25-29,30+.

The second query was with regard to ethnicity- we were wondering if it was possible to combine ethnicity data into the following four groups: Black, Asian, Minority Ethnic (BAME) as a category, White, Other, Not given. This would put Leeds data in line with that from other medical schools and allow us to combine the data. It would also remove the issue of not having data where the value falls <5/ \*\*

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“could we also have mixed as a category aswell please, so it's: BAME; White; Mixed; Other and Not Given.”

The University of Leeds holds this information.

Please find the information disclosed in the attached spreadsheet. Please note that where the total number of cases in a category is less than or equal to five, we have withholding the total figure under section 40(2) of the FOI Act.

Section 40(2) sets out that information is exempt from disclosure if it is the personal data of someone other than the person making the request, and disclosure would; contravene the data protection principles; contravene an objection to processing; or if the data is exempt from the right of subject access. We consider that the release of this information would be likely to lead to the identification of individuals, and would therefore reveal sensitive information, which would be extremely distressing to the

relevant students. This would be unfair and would therefore breach their data protection rights.

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](mailto: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:

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The University of Leeds  
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Email: [foi@leeds.ac.uk](mailto: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](http://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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