

From: Freedom of Information

Sent: 10 September 2020 15:55

To:

Subject: Freedom of Information Response (Our Ref: K/20/333)

Dear

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Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) request dated 30 August 2020, reference K/20/333.

Your request read:

“I am writing regarding the FOI request made on the 03/01/2020 and your response which is shown in this email chain. I would like to ask for some more information and clarification on the below points:

1. Please can you expand on how A and B grades result in the award of a distinction - for example do students require a certain number of As or Bs, is there a weighting for each year and if so how is each year? Please can you explain how the % cut off is decided.
2. Please can you give the individual percentage of students who have obtained each degree classification for the academic years 2018/19, 2017/18, 2016/17, 2015/16 2015/14?”

The University of Leeds holds some of this information.

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The School of Medicine at the University of Leeds does not award 'distinctions' as such however as outlined in our initial response a student who has achieved A or B grades for all summative assessments (and have passed all other progressional assessments) will graduate with "Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MB, ChB) **with honours**"

There is no weighting for each year. There is no % cut off as all students who achieve the appropriate grades will be eligible. The grade boundaries are subject to statistical standard setting procedures and depend on the size and performance of the year group.

- 2. Please can you give the individual percentage of students who have obtained each degree classification for the academic years 2018/19, 2017/18, 2016/17, 2015/16 2015/14?**

Please find this information in the table below:

With honours	Without honours	Fail
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2018/19	8.3%	91.34%	0.36%
2017/18	6.7%	91.9%	1.4%
2016/17	12.4%	86%	1.6%
2015/16	7.2%	89.4%	3.4%
2014/15	24.4%	72.8%	2.8%

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
Deputy Secretary
The University of Leeds
Leeds
LS2 9JT

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

Chloe Wilkins
Freedom of Information Officer

Secretariat
University of Leeds