

**From:** Freedom of Information

**Sent:** 18 December 2020 18:21

**To:**

**Subject:** Freedom of Information Response (Our Ref: K/20/442)

Dear

**Freedom of Information Response (Our Ref: K/20/442)**

Thank you for your clarified Freedom of Information (FOI) request dated 25 November 2020, reference K/20/442.

Your original request read:

“Firstly, I would like data, please, on the number of students that have been permanently excluded from the university for breaking coronavirus regulations this year.

In each instance, please provide clarity on which specific regulations they broke (not wearing a face covering, breaking a curfew, attending/hosting a mass gathering, etc)

Secondly, I would like data on the number of students that have been temporarily suspended from the university for breaking coronavirus regulations this year.

In each instance, please provide clarity on which specific regulations they broke (not wearing a face covering, breaking a curfew, attending/hosting a mass gathering, etc)

Thirdly, I would like data on the number of students who were permanently excluded from the university for any reason in each of the following academic years: 2019/20, 2018/19, 2017/18, 2016/17 and 2015/16.

Finally, I would like data on the number of students who were temporarily suspended from the university for any reason in each of the following academic years: 2019/20, 2018/19, 2017/18, 2016/17 and 2015/16.”

Your clarification email read:

“Yes, disciplinary suspensions please. Thanks”

The University of Leeds holds this information.

In relation to your first and second questions, we can advise that zero students have been permanently excluded, and four students have been temporarily suspended for breaking coronavirus regulations during the 2020/21 academic year to date. The suspensions were related to a party held in University accommodation.

Please find below a table setting out the number of students who were permanently excluded for any reason in the academic years you have set out:

Academic year	Number of disciplinary permanent exclusions	Number of disciplinary suspensions
2015/16	1	1
2016/17	5	0
2017/18	4	6
2018/19	4	5
2019/20	2	4

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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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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