

**From:** Freedom of Information

**Sent:** 24 June 2021 15:16

**To:**

**Subject:** Freedom of Information Response (Our Ref: K/21/155)

Dear

### **Freedom of Information Response (Our Ref: K/21/155)**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) request dated 26 March 2021, reference K/21/155.

Your request read:

“I was wondering if you could provide me with some figures of how many reports of sexual assault have been made by students and how many of these resulted in suspension and/or expulsion/exclusion.”

The University of Leeds holds some information which we hope you will find helpful. Please note that, as you have not provided a timeframe for your request (e.g. requesting information between two dates), we have set out below information which we have previously released in response to similar FOI requests.

Accusations of sexual assault made against other students are handled by the Student Cases Team. Accusations made against members of staff are handled by HR.

#### Reports about other students

The information held by the Student Cases Team is limited to the academic year 2018/19 onwards. As such, we cannot provide any information in relation to student/student reports for the academic years preceding this.

In 2018/19, a total of 10 reports were made. In 2019/20, a further 10 reports were made. The outcomes are set out below. Please note that one case may have multiple outcomes (e.g. a suspension and a no contact agreement, or a support meeting and an apology), and as such the count below exceeds the total number of cases.

<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Count</b>
Apology from Accused	2
Complaint withdrawn	3
Meeting to provide support	3
No-contact agreement	8
Accused excluded	1
Accused suspended	1
Accused withdrew from university	2
Referred into other service (not suitable for management by Student Cases Team)	3
No action taken (e.g. no evidence provided by complainant)	1

### Reports about members of staff

Please find the number of reports received by HR set out in the table below:

Academic year	Number of cases
2015/16	1
2016/17	2
2017/18	0
2018/19	0
2019/20	2

Outcomes across all five cases are set out in the table below.

Outcome	Count
Staff member dismissed	2
Staff member resigned	1
Staff member disciplined in line with the <a href="#">Disciplinary Procedure</a>	2

If you require information in relation to different dates, please set these out in an email. This would be treated as a new FOI request.

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:

Post: Mr D Wardle  
Deputy Secretary  
The University of Leeds  
Leeds  
LS2 9JT

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.

Yours sincerely

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