

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) request dated 16 January 2020, reference K/20/033.

Your request read:

- “Under the FOIA, please may I receive the following information in an Excel spreadsheet format for the academic years 14/15 up to and including 18/19
- How many students were enrolled at the university
 - How many students 'dropped out', leaving their studies citing mental health issues
 - How many students sought counselling services at the university
 - The University's annual budget for student mental health services”

The University of Leeds holds some of this information. For your convenience we have numbered your questions and addressed each in turn below.

1. How many students were enrolled at the university?

The University of Leeds holds this information. However, as the information held by the University is available in the public domain we will, under section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act, direct you to the published source.

This information can be found as part of the University's [reports and accounts](#). In order to be helpful, we have provided page numbers and a direct link for each report below

- [2014/15](#) – page 34
- [2015/16](#) – page 10
- [2016/17](#) – page 11
- [2017/18](#) – page 12
- [2018/19](#) – page 26

2. How many students 'dropped out', leaving their studies citing mental health issues?

The University of Leeds does not hold this information. We hold information in relation to the number of students who withdraw from their studies citing health reasons, but hold no further information on the nature of those health reasons. As such, we are unable to answer this element of your request.

3. How many students sought counselling services at the university?

The University of Leeds holds some information relevant to your request. The information we hold relates to the total number of requests for counselling, mental health and wellbeing support. We are not able to break these figures down to provide counselling figures only. However, we hope the information provided in the following table is of use to you.

Year	Total requests for counselling, mental health and wellbeing support
2014/15	2090
2015/16	2271
2016/17	2535
2017/18	3105
2018/19	3797

4. The University's annual budget for student mental health services

The University of Leeds holds this information. Please note that we record funding for the mental health team separately to that for the Student Counselling Service. However, we have provided both figures as, based on your request as a whole, we consider that you did not necessarily intend this question to be specific to the Mental Health Team.

Year	Student Counselling Services	Mental Health Team
2014/15	£512,100.00	£83,198.64
2015/16	£520,495.00	£111,727.57
2016/17	£453,370.75	£95,090.31
2017/18	£493,943.66	£183,794.15
2018/19	£978,90.00 (combined budget from 18/19)	

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.

Sincerely

Chloe Wilkins
Freedom of Information Officer
University of Leeds