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Dear 

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information request (ref: FOI_17-038)

We have now considered your request of 10 February 2017 for information relating to student deaths and suicides at UEA in the period September 2015 to end of August 2016. As we have yet to receive a response to our request for clarification of 10 February regarding the date range of your request, we are providing data for the stated period, 01 September 2015 to 31 August 2016.

Our response is on page 3 of this letter, together with a copy of your request.

On this occasion it is not possible to provide all the requested information. In line with your rights under section 1(1)(a) of the Act to be informed whether information is held, we confirm that the University does not hold information on either the total number of university student suicides between September 2015 and the end of August 2016, nor on the number of international student suicides within the same time period.

This is because our student record system only records 'death' as a reason for withdrawal from studies and does not distinguish the cause. In general, the University may hold records on any student suicide that occurs on campus, or where we have subsequently been made aware of the cause of death, but we do not hold complete data regarding the cause of all student deaths.

We hope this information will meet your requirements, however if you are not satisfied you have the right of appeal. If you wish to appeal, please set out in writing your reasons for appealing and send to the above address. You must appeal within 60 calendar days of the date of this letter. Any appeal received after that date will not be considered nor acknowledged. This policy has been reviewed and approved by the Information Commissioner's Office.

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Please quote our reference given at the head of this letter in all correspondence.

Yours sincerely

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Response to Freedom of Information Act 2000 request (FOI_17-038)

I would like to request the following information under the FOIA.

1) The total number of university student deaths between September 2015-end of August 2016 (academic year).

Four (4) students died in the period September 2015 to end of August 2016

2) The total number of university student suicides between September 2015-end of August 2016 (academic year).

[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), Freedom of Information Act]

The University does not hold the requested information for the reasons noted in the above letter.

3) The number of international university student suicides between September 2015-end of August 2016 (academic year).

[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), Freedom of Information Act]

The University does not hold the requested information for the reasons noted in the above letter.