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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information request (ref: FOI_17-239)

We have now considered your request of 03 October 2017 for information relating to places, admissions and exemptions/waivers issued in respect of the UKCAT for the A100 course during the years 2005/06 to 2018/19.

Our response is on page 2 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 relevant to elements of question 4 nor to question 5 of your request. Further information is on page 2 of this letter.

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_17-239)

Please provide the following information:

(1) The number of places allocated for the A100 Course (medicine) for each of the following years:

2015-16?

2016-17?

2017-18?

2018-19?

(2) The number of students admitted to the A100 Course for each of the following years:

2015-16?

2016-17?

2017-18?

Our response to both above questions is within the table below:

<i>Academic year</i>	<i>Q(1) - Number of Places</i>	<i>Q(2) - Number Admitted</i>
2015-16	167	167
2016-17	167	169
2017-18	167	168
2018-19	167	N/A

(3) The number of exemptions/waivers issued in respect of the UKCAT in respect of each entry year (number of exemptions/waivers per year) of use:

2005-06 to 2018-19

(4) List of all grounds on which exemptions/waivers for the UKCAT has been issued (at any time 2005-2017).

Please state specific 'medical' grounds; and list specific 'geographical locations'; and specific details of 'other' grounds.

Our response to questions (3) and (4) above is presented within the table below. It should be noted that any exemption waiver is given by the UKCAT, not the University.

In relation to the information not held,

- For 2005-06, from 2007-08 to 2009-10, and for 2017-18 we do not have any recorded information regarding the reason for the granting of an exemption
- In 2006-07, UKCAT was not utilised
- From 2010-11 to 2016-17, specific reasons are not held, merely a generic indication of the nature of the exemption
- For 2018-19, information has yet to be provided by UKCAT. It should be noted, however, that as of that year UKCAT will no longer grant exemptions
- A 'geographic' exemption covers applicants who could sufficiently prove that they were unable to access a UKCAT testing centre within their home country or region.

<i>Year of entry</i>	<i>Number of Exempted Applicants</i>	<i>Reason</i>
2005-06	<i>[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), FOIA]</i>	<i>[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), FOIA]</i>
2006-07	<i>[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), FOIA]</i>	<i>[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), FOIA]</i>
2007-08	30	<i>[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), FOIA]</i>
2008-09	6	<i>[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), FOIA]</i>
2009-10	4	<i>[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), FOIA]</i>
2010-11	6	Geographic – 4 <i>[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), FOIA]</i>
2011-12	11	Geographic – 9 Medical Grounds – 2
2012-13	4	Geographic – 4
2013-14	4	Geographic – 4
2014-15	6	Geographic – 6
2015-16	1	Geographic – 1
2016-17	2	Geographic – 2
2017-18	0	N/A
2018-19	<i>[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), FOIA]</i>	<i>[Information not held - s.1(1)(a), FOIA]</i>

(5) Copy of the standard/generic (anonymised) notice (email and/or letter) issued by the University giving notice of exemption/waiver for the UKCAT?

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

The University does not utilise nor possess a standard or generic notice issued to applicants giving notice of an exemption or waiver for the UKCAT. It should be noted that any exemption waiver is given by the UKCAT, not the University. The University receives this information from UKCAT and does not follow this up with a University notice.