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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information request (ref: FOI_19-114)

We have now considered your request of 12 April 2019 for information relating to the admission of international students to the A100 Medicine course.

Our response is on pages 2-3 of this letter, together with a copy of your request and in the attached document, FOI_19-114 Appendix A. We note that this request follows on from our response to your prior request, FOI_19-096¹, and we have taken your request to us to “...provide whatever information you can provide” to mean that you have accepted our offer of what we can provide within the statutory appropriate limit.

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 40 working days of the date of this letter. In line with section 5.3 of the UK Government’s Freedom of Information Act Code of Practice, we are not obliged to accept internal reviews after this date.

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

Yours sincerely

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¹ https://portal.uea.ac.uk/documents/6207125/28810181/190412_Response+letter_FOI_19-096_Redacted/

Response to Freedom of Information Act 2000 request (FOI _19-114)

I would also like to request you to kindly provide the following information with respect to Sep 2018 and Sep 2019 entry for medicine A100 course:

1) Whether UKCAT scores are taken into account for making an offer to international students and how?

Yes, a combined UKCAT score and interview score are used as part of the ranking process.

2) Whether SJT band score of UKCAT is taken into account for making an offer to international students and how?

The SJT (Situational Judgement Test) band score of UKCAT was not used in 2018. For 2019 it forms part of the interview score.

3) Whether SJT band score of UKCAT is taken into account for making an offer to home students and how?

The SJT band score of UKCAT was not used in 2018. For 2019 it forms part of the interview score.

4) Whether the marking criteria in the interview (i.e. MMI) is same for home and international students?

Yes.

5) Whether marks of the individual MMI station have the same weightage for both home and international students?

Yes.

6) How the cutoff marks are decided for International students before making an offer?

The interview cut off mark is decided once all interviews are completed in consultation with the Admissions Director based on the overall performance of the cohort.

7) How many international students interviewed, how many of them offered, how many of them kept on reserve and how many of them rejected?

For 2018 we interviewed 77 individuals, made offers to 33 and 44 were rejected or withdrew. The 2019 cycle is incomplete, but, to date we have interviewed 86 individuals, made 32 offers and 54 were rejected or withdrew.

8) MMI station wise marks and overall interview marks obtained by individual international students may please be provided.

Our response for both the 2018 and 2019 entry is in the attached document, FOI_19-114 Appendix A. Please note that as the 2019 cycle is not complete, the data provided is only partial as well.