

06 November 2019

Dear [REDACTED]

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information request (ref: FOI\_19-359)**

We have now considered your request of 04 November 2019 for information relating to the number of students reported to or investigated by the University with regards to the use of Hate Speech.

Our response is on page 2 of this letter, together with a copy of your request.

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.

You also have a subsequent right of appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office. Further information is available on their website:

[https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact\\_us](https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us), or by telephone on 0303 123 1113.

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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\_19-359)

*1. In the last three academic years, how many students have been reported to/investigated by your university for hate speech? This includes remarks made on social media. Please provide a breakdown for 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-2019.*

Our response is in the table below:

<i>Academic Year</i>	<i>No of students reported/investigated</i>
2018-19	0
2017-18	1
2016-17	0

*2. How many students were suspended or expelled by your university for hate speech? Please break down for the same years as above.*

In the last three academic years, no students were either suspended or expelled for the use of hate speech.

*3. For the year 2018-19 only, please provide a full list of comments (or a description in the instance of a photograph) made that were investigated/reported to your university for hate speech as outlined in (1.) For each comment, please specify whether a student was expelled or suspended as a result of making that comment.*

Not applicable, please see our response to question 1.