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13 March 2015

Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information request (FOI_15-038)

We have now considered your request of 17 February 2015 as clarified on 09 March 2015 for information relating to the admission of students to the School of Pharmacy at UEA. Our response is provided on page 2 of this letter, together with a copy of your original request. We hope this response will meet your requirements.

It is not, however, 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 some of the requested information. Specifically, we do not hold information relevant to question 3 of your request.

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You have the right of appeal against this response to your request for information. If you wish to appeal, please set out in writing your reasons for appealing and send to the above address.

You must appeal our response 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.

You also have a subsequent right of appeal to the Information Commissioner whose [contact details](#)¹ can be found on their website.

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

Yours sincerely

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¹ https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us

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We are interested in the following statistics for each of the last 5 years your pharmacy school had an intake of students:

1. What was the median and average A level (or in Scotland equivalent entry examination) grades for your UK pharmacy students for each year 2008-2014?

[Clarified on 09 March 2015 to include both the entire tariff score on entry, and the tariff carried by their top 3 A Levels (excluding further A levels/AS Levels and other tariff bearing qualifications such as music exams)]

All tariff:

Course		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
MPharm Pharmacy	Median	370	380	410	400	450	410	390
	Average	384.78	386.05	416.55	435.79	465.25	419.6	411.57
Pharmacy with a foundation year ²	Median	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	320
	Average	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	260

Best 3 A Levels Tariff:

Course		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
MPharm Pharmacy	Median	300	300	320	340	340	340	320
	Average	306	307	317.88	335.12	335.14	329.78	319.4
Pharmacy with a foundation year	Median	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	270
	Average	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	305.54

2. What was the % of UK students that were obtained through clearing for each year 2008 -2014?

Course	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
MPharm Pharmacy	2.78%	17.24%	2.2%	27.17%	1.3%	26.04%	24.29%
Pharmacy with a foundation year	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0%

3. What was the % of UK students who have sat and passed the GPhC pre-registration exam at the first sitting 2008-2014?

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

The University does not hold the requested information. We would suggest that you contact the General Pharmaceutical Council directly.

² Please note that the 'Pharmacy with a foundation year' course was only established in 2014/15 so there would be no data for 2008-2013.

4. What is the attrition rate³ or UK students each academic year 2008-2014 to date?

Course	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 ⁴
MPharm Pharmacy	1.85%	2.66%	1.23%	0.29%	1.72%	1.97%	0.31%
Pharmacy with a foundation year	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0%

³ We have understood 'attrition rate' to mean the percentage of the entire cohort who dropped out in each year. The figure excludes students who were confirmed through UCAS but did not attend UEA.

⁴ Figures for 2014 are incomplete and are to date of request