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Arron Prattley

By email: fyi-request-11523-f1230ede@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Arron

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST OIA-19-82 - LAWS 110 GRADE BREAKDOWN

I refer to your official information request dated 23 October 2019 for information on final grades for students taking LAWS110 in 2018 and 2019. You requested:

1) A statistical breakdown of final grades for the course LAWS110 as taught in Semester 1 2018 and Semester 1 2019.

This aspect of your request is refused under s9(2)(a), to protect the privacy of natural persons. This is because the number of students achieving specific grades is small, and would potentially allow individuals to be identified. The University considers grade information to be sensitive personal information, and takes precautionary measures to protect it. This information is also withheld under s9(2)(i) to enable an organisation to carry out commercial activities without prejudice or disadvantage. There is concern that the release of this information would affect the University's student recruitment, student retention, and the administrative burden.

If this is not available, the pass rate for LAWS110 during 2018 and 2019.
This is provided below. Please note, that the fail rate includes students that withdrew from this course.

Year	Pass Rate	Fail Rate
2018	83.4%	16.6%
2019	86.4%	13.6%

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

Rachael McGregor Information Advisor