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Kia ora Lana

We refer to your three information requests under the Official Information Act (Act) dated 2 July 2021 and 3 July 2021, submitted via the fyi website. You have requested information regarding Pharmacy Graduate entry applicants, and Pharmacy and Physiotherapy applicants via the Two or More Years of University Study category. We have been able to determine that the three requests were submitted by yourself, therefore we have combined the requests to allow us to process them more efficiently.

We set out our responses to each of your requests below.

1. What have been the grade cut offs for Pharmacy Graduate entry for the years 2021, 2020 and 2019?

For privacy reasons, the University's standard practice is not to report on marks which relate to less than 5 students. Where the numbers are very low there is a risk that the identity of these students could be determined/inferred, and their personal information (i.e. their marks) could be revealed. We therefore withhold this information pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Act.

The GPA cut off for the Graduate category for the 2019 Pharmacy programme was 4.15.

The GPA cut off for the Graduate category for the 2020 Pharmacy programme is withheld.

The GPA cut off for the Graduate category for the 2021 Pharmacy programme is withheld.

2. For the past two years, how many Pharmacy Graduate applicants met the requirements of completing all HSFY papers and only applied for pharmacy but weren't offered a place? What number of applicants did not have Pharmacy as single preference?

The number of Graduate category applicants for the 2020 Pharmacy programme that were not Single Programme Preference is 81.

The number of Graduate category applicants for the 2021 Pharmacy programme that were not Single Programme Preference is 76.

With regards to the other information you have requested - specifically how many Pharmacy Graduate applicants met the requirements of completing all HSFY papers and only applied for Pharmacy but weren't offered a place - given the resource involved in supply of this information we would have to fix a charge for supply of the information you have requested pursuant to clause 15(1A) of the Act. Having consulted with our analysts, we have estimated it will take a minimum of three hours of staff time to produce the information requested. In accordance with general guidance available from the Office of the Ombudsman, we have thus fixed a charge for supply of this information at \$152 (calculated at \$38 per half hour with the first hour free).

Before we proceed further with this part of your request, please confirm your agreement to pay the charge in full in advance. We will then advise on how to provide this payment. Once payment is received, we expect to be able to provide you with the requested information within 15 working days. Should collation and checking of the information requested take fewer than three hours, we will refund you for unused time at the rate stated above.

- 3. For 2021, 2020, and 2019 how many students applied for Pharmacy and Physio via the 2 or more years of University study pathway? How many had completed Health Sciences First Year papers out of those that applied? How many were single preference only out of those that applied? What were the grade cut offs for this category?**

- (a) For 2021, 2020, and 2019 how many students applied for Pharmacy and Physio via the 2 or more years of University study pathway?**

Please find below a table of the number of the number of applicants for the Pharmacy and Physiotherapy programmes via the Two or More Years of University Study category for 2021, 2020 and 2019.

Via the Two or More Years of University Study category	Total number of applications received		
	2019	2020	2021
Pharmacy	23	20	29
Physiotherapy	57	39	69

- (b) How many had completed Health Sciences First Year papers out of those that applied?**

With regards to the information you have requested – specifically how many student had completed Health Sciences First Year papers out of those that applied – given the resource involved in supply of this information we would have to fix a charge for supply of the information you have requested pursuant to clause 15(1A) of the Act. Having consulting with our analysts, we have estimated it will take a minimum of four hours of staff time to produce the information requested. In accordance with general guidance available from the Office of the Ombudsman, we have thus fixed a charge for supply of this information at \$228 (calculate at \$38 per half hour with the first hour free).

Before we proceed further with this part of your request, please confirm your agreement to pay the charge in full in advance. We will then advise on how to provide this payment. Once payment is received, we expect to be able to provide you with the requested information within 15 working days. Should collation and checking of the information requested take fewer than three hours, we will refund you for unused time at the rate stated above.

(c) How many were single preference only out of those that applied?

Please find below a table of the number of students who applied for Pharmacy and Physiotherapy via the Two or More Years of University Study category for 2021, 2020 and 2019 who were Single Programme Preference. Please note that the information below is for domestic students only.

Via the Two or More Years of University Study category	Number of domestic student applicants who were Single Programme Preference		
	2019	2020	2021
Pharmacy	19	11	13
Physiotherapy	45	25	48

(d) What were the grade cut offs for this category?

The GPA cut off for the Two or More Years of University Study category for the 2019 Pharmacy programme was 3.84.

The GPA cut off for the Two or More Years of University Study category for the 2020 Pharmacy programme was 4.16.

The GPA cut off for the Two or More Years of University Study category for the 2021 Pharmacy programme was 4.14.

The GPA cut off for the Two or More Years of University Study category for the 2019 Physiotherapy programme was 5.63.

The GPA cut off for the Two or More Years of University Study category for the 2020 Physiotherapy programme was 4.58.

The GPA cut off for the Two or More Years of University Study category for the 2021 Physiotherapy programme was 4.95.

We trust that this information will be helpful.

We note your right to seek a review of these decisions via a complaint to an Ombudsman. However, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss any concerns with you first.

Yours sincerely



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