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Dear Abdulla

We refer to your information request dated 20 October 2021 made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You have requested information regarding entry to the 2020 and 2021 Medicine (MB ChB) and Dentistry (BDS) programmes for Refugee sub-category applicants under the Health Sciences First Year (HSFY) category.

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

1. Minimum and maximum scores for individuals offered a place to the MB ChB programme via HSFY for the Refugee sub-category for 2020 and 2021

Please find below the minimum and highest scores to receive an offer to the MB ChB programme in 2020 and 2021 for HSFY applicants via the Refugee sub-category. Please note that for privacy reasons, the University's standard practice is not to report on numbers where those numbers are below five. Where the numbers are very low, there is a risk that the grades of those individuals can be determined/inferred. Accordingly, we withhold this information pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Act.

	2020	2021
<i>Minimum academic score to receive an offer:</i>		
MB ChB	W/H	77.14
<i>Highest academic score to receive an offer:</i>		
MB ChB	W/H	98.71

We note that we are unable to exclude any extra points given (e.g. the COVID 5%) as an applicant's academic score is based on the average across their best seven papers.

2. The average scores for individuals offered a place to the MB ChB and BDS programmes via HSFY for the Refugee sub-category for 2020 and 2021

Please find below the average scores to receive an offer to the MB ChB and BDS programmes in 2020 and 2021 for HSFY applicants via the Refugee sub-category. As noted above, for privacy reasons, the University's standard practice is not to report on numbers where those numbers are below five. Accordingly, we withhold this information pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Act.

	2020	2021
<i>Average academic score to receive an offer:</i>		
MB ChB	W/H	87.20
BDS	W/H	87.95

As mentioned previously, we note that we are unable to exclude any extra points given (e.g. the COVID 5%) as an applicant's academic score is based on the average across their best seven papers.

3. The number of successful HSFY applicants to the 2021 MB ChB and BDS programmes via the Refugee sub-category and the total number of HSFY applicants to the 2021 MB ChB and BDS programmes via the Refugee sub-category

The number of Refugee sub-category applicants under the HSFY category for the 2021 MB ChB programme is 12.

The number of Refugee sub-category applicants under the HSFY category to receive an offer for the 2021 MB ChB programme is 9. Of these students, 8 were admitted to the programme.

The number of Refugee sub-category applicants under the HSFY category for the 2021 BDS programme is 10.

The number of Refugee sub-category applicants under the HSFY category to receive an offer for the 2021 BDS programme is 6. Of these students, 1 was admitted to the programme.

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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