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By email: [fyi-request-20893-71e39417@requests.fyi.org.nz](mailto:fyi-request-20893-71e39417@requests.fyi.org.nz)

Dear Alex

I refer to your information request dated 18 October 2022 made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You have requested grade and mark distributions for the RELS303, RELS203, CHTH235, CHTH237, CHTH335, CHTH337 and CLAS346 papers during Pre-Christmas Summer School from 2018 – 2022.

I note your email dated 27 October 2022 requesting that this information be provided to you before 15 November 2022, as this is the final day for adding Pre-Christmas Summer School papers.

Subject to the following comments, please find attached the information you have requested. Please note that there are multiple sheets in the attached document (one for each year).

- we decline providing the 2022 mark and grade breakdowns for the papers requested pursuant to section 18(e) of the Act, on the basis that the information does not exist.
- please note that not all papers were offered each year, therefore we have only provided mark distributions for the years that the papers were offered:
  - 2018: CHTH237, CHTH337, CLAS346, RELS203 and RELS303 were not offered
  - 2019: CHTH235, CHTH237, CHTH335, CHTH337 and CLAS346 were not offered
  - 2020: CHTH237, CHTH337 and CLAS346 were not offered
  - 2021: CHTH237 and CHTH337 were not offered
- we also decline providing the mark and grade distributions for the 2021 CHTH235 and CHTH335 Pre-Christmas Summer School papers as there were low enrolment numbers in these papers. We consider that withholding this information is necessary to protect against the identity of these students being determined or inferred, and their personal information (i.e. their marks) could be disclosed. We therefore withhold this information pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
- on occasions where fewer than five students have failed a paper (i.e. received a grade of Fail D or Fail E), we have determined that it is necessary to withhold the marks and specific grades for these students to protect their privacy and wellbeing. This is also consistent with section 9(2)(a) of the Act. We consider that withholding this information is necessary to protect against the identity of these students being determined or inferred, and their personal information (i.e. their marks) could be disclosed.
- students who withdrew from these papers or received an Aegrotat Pass (not a mark) are excluded from the data.

I trust that this information will be helpful.

In the above cases, we consider that good reasons exist for withholding information, and this is not outweighed by other considerations which would make it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available. If you are not satisfied with our response to your information request, section 28(3) of the Act provides you with the right to ask an Ombudsman to investigate and review this response. However, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss any concerns with you first.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kelsey Kennard', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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