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Tēnā koe Ian

Request under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 12 September 2023, requesting the following information from Toi Ohomai | Te Pūkenga – New Zealand Institute of Skills and Technology (Te Pūkenga):

I would like to request the following information for the time period January 2010 - December 2018.

International student enrolments at the Mokoia campus, listed on a monthly basis for each month during those periods.

Within those figures, please indicate the following

The numbers per programme of study

The numbers of students per overseas country per programme of study The proportion of students who successfully completed their studies.

This letter provides a formal decision on your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

The decision

Information about international ākonga (learner) enrolments at the Mokoia campus of Toi Ohomai is attached at **Appendix One**. The number of ākonga enrolled (not equivalent full-time student or EFTS) in each programme of study is provided including their citizenship country.

We have provided information about international ākonga who successfully completed their studies and the number of qualification/s awarded at **Appendix Two**. The number of ākonga for each qualification, by citizenship is provided.

While your request is for the time period January 2010 - December 2018, Toi Ohomai was only created in 2016 from the amalgamation of Bay of Plenty Polytechnic and the Waiariki Institute of Technology. Therefore, information supplied is for ākonga enrolled in years 2016 to 2018.

Additionally, programme enrolments on a month-by-month basis are only gathered by EFTS, rather than number of ākongā, and would require going into each and every ākongā file. We are not able to provide enrolment and qualification details matching up each individual, as Toi Ohomai data system does not measure completion of a qualification in this manner without substantial collation and research. The information supplied is for ākongā who qualified in years 2016 to 2018.

Where the number of ākongā is less than four, we have noted this and withheld the exact figure with reliance on section 9(2)(a) of the OIA, to protect the privacy of natural persons. We do not believe the need to withhold this information is outweighed by the public interest in its release.

Interpretation of the data provided

Please note the following points regarding the information provided:

- Ākongā enrolled in multi-year programmes may be included in the enrolment numbers, but not have completed their studies until after 2018 so not be represented in the qualification numbers. Vice versa, some ākongā may appear in the qualification number but were enrolled prior to 2016, so will not be represented in the enrolment numbers.
- When looking at the two tables it is also important to note that people can withdraw from study or not gain a qualification for a multitude of reasons, for example change in family or personal circumstances, cultural/religious reasons, bereavement, non-attendance, gained employment, living expenses, not achieving requirements, programme of study not what was expected, transfer to another programme or Institute.

You have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA if you are not happy with this response. Information about how to do this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi



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