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By email: fyi-request-24898-669d1f60@requests.fyi.org.nz

Tēnā koe Z

I refer to your information request dated 28 November 2023 made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You have requested grade distributions for the 2023 Bachelor of Oral Health (BOH) papers, including the compulsory papers MAOR102, PUBH202 and SOCI101.

Subject to the following comments, please see attached the information you have requested. Please note that there are four sheets in the attached document (one for each year level of the BOH programme, and one for the compulsory papers).

- the data is correct as at 29 November 2023.
- the grade distributions for the BOH compulsory papers are limited to students enrolled in the BOH programme only.
- we note that the grade distribution for the 2023 DEOH201 paper has not been finalised yet as there may be special examinations outstanding and the final marks for some students have not been confirmed. On that basis, we decline this part of your request pursuant to section 18(g) of the Act, as the information requested is not held by the University as at today's date. We would be happy to consider a new request from you at a later date if you still wish to receive this information – we expect that all student grades will be confirmed by late February 2024.
- 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 specific grades for these students to protect their privacy and wellbeing. 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 grades) could be disclosed. We therefore withhold this information pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Act.
- in the attached grade distributions, we note that students who withdrew from the papers 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.

Ngā mihi

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

Kelsey Kennard
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Office of the Registrar