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Joshua Remitt

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Dear Joshua

Official information request for grade distribution statistics for the School of Engineering & Computer Science

I refer to your request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) dated 20 November 2019:

“I would like to request a grade distribution break down by course (paper) for all 2019 trimester 1 and trimester 2 papers run by the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science.

By grade distribution breakdown I mean for each paper you would detail how many people got each grade for each paper (e.g for COMP102 there was 1A+ 2A 3A-.... etc).”

On 21 November 2019 you emailed the University to extend your request:

“I would like to clarify that I also wish to include the full year ECS papers as well (e.g. ENGR489) in addition to the previously requested trimester 1 and 2 courses.”

Attached is the grade distribution for all courses taught in the 2019 academic year in the School of Engineering and Computer Science. Please note, the grades of some courses taught are yet to be finalised. These grades appear in the attachment as “pending”. Some courses are also listed as “Directed Individual Study”. These courses are not a single course that students do as a single cohort, like others. More information can be found about these courses on the University’s website.

The University has decided to withhold all grade information for classes with less than five students under section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982. The release of this information would pose a significant risk to the privacy of said students, and their achievement within their respective courses. The University believes there is no countervailing public interest outweighing the students right to privacy.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of the University's decision to withhold this information. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact me at oiarequests@vuw.ac.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "GTawharu". The letters are cursive and connected.

Georgia Tawharu

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