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Kia ora H

I refer to your request for information dated 8 February 2023 made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You have requested information in relation to entry to the Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) and Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MB ChB) programmes from 2021 – 2023 via the Graduate Māori and Graduate Indigenous Pacific sub-categories.

Further to our email of 8 March 2023, please see below our response to the remaining parts of your information request.

**2. Lowest academic grades of Māori and Pacific students who got into BDS and MB ChB in the last 3 years**

Please see the below updated tables which show the minimum weighted GPA scores to receive offers to the 2021 – 2023 MB ChB and BDS programmes via the Graduate Māori and Graduate Indigenous Pacific sub-categories. As noted in our response of 8 March 2023, where there were fewer than five applicants to receive an offer, we have withheld the minimum weighted GPA score pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Act.

Category	Minimum weighted GPA score to receive offer, MB ChB		
	2021	2022	2023
Graduate Māori	5.00	4.51	4.45
Graduate Indigenous Pacific	Withheld	4.83	4.60

Category	Minimum weighted GPA score to receive offer, BDS		
	2021	2022	2023
Graduate Māori	Withheld	4.99	4.45
Graduate Indigenous Pacific	5.05	Withheld	4.55

**3. Median academic grades of Māori and Pacific students who got into BDS and MB ChB in the last 3 years**

Please see the below updated tables which show the median weighted GPA scores to receive offers to the 2021 – 2023 MB ChB and BDS programmes via the Graduate Māori and Graduate Indigenous Pacific sub-categories. As noted above, where there were fewer than five applicants to receive an offer, we have withheld the minimum weighted GPA score pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Act.

	Median weighted GPA score to receive offer, MB ChB		
Category	2021	2022	2023
Graduate Māori	5.69	5.46	5.77
Graduate Indigenous Pacific	Withheld	5.44	5.75

	Median weighted GPA score to receive offer, BDS		
Category	2021	2022	2023
Graduate Māori	Withheld	5.48	5.63
Graduate Indigenous Pacific	5.90	Withheld	5.76

#### 4. Number of Māori and Pacific students who got into BDS and MB ChB in the last 3 years

Please see the below updated tables which show the number of applicants to receive offers to the 2021 – 2023 MB ChB and BDS programmes via the Graduate Māori and Graduate Indigenous Pacific sub-categories. For privacy reasons, it is the University’s standard practice to not report on numbers where those numbers are below 5. Where the numbers are very low, there is a risk that the identity of those individuals can be determined/inferred, and that their personal information could be revealed. We therefore withhold this information pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Act. Accordingly, numbers with fewer than 5 individuals are reported as “<5” (fewer than 5).

	Number of Applicants to receive offers, MB ChB		
Category	2021	2022	2023
Graduate Māori	9	20	17
Graduate Indigenous Pacific	<5	6	15

	Number of Applicants to receive offers, BDS		
Category	2021	2022	2023
Graduate Māori	<5	7	6
Graduate Indigenous Pacific	5	<5	6

I trust that this information will be helpful.

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

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