



25 September 2023

By email: fyi-request-23967-def19489@requests.fyi.org.nz

Tēnā koe Oscar,

I refer to your information request dated 28 August 2023 made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You have requested the following information:

'...the minimum average score (as a percentage) of HSFY students, under the General category specifically, who gained entry into the BDS programmes of 2023, 2022 & 2021 (To clarify, this would mean these students completed HSFY in 2022, 2021 & 2020 respectively).

Whilst the previous request would look at the minimum score of applicants who were eventually offered a place after initially being wait-listed, I would also like to know the minimum percentage score of HSFY applicants under the General category who received a first-round offer to Dentistry (over the same years), regardless if they then accepted this offer or not.'

Subject to the following comments, please see below the information you have requested:

- At the University of Otago, we do not use “first round” terminology. We would instead say that these were the minimum average academic scores to receive an offer on the date that offer outcomes were first released (usually on or around 18 December of the preceding year).

Minimum average academic score to receive an offer overall (whether on the date that offer outcomes were first released or via the waitlist) to enter the 2021 – 2023 BDS programme via the HSFY General category:

2021	2022	2023
85.57	88.71	85.14

Minimum average academic score of students to receive an offer on the date that offer outcomes were first released for the 2021 – 2023 BDS programmes via the HSFY General category:

2021	2022	2023
96.00	93.71	93.71

I trust that this information will be helpful.

Ngā mihi,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jo Pearson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jo Pearson
Official Information Act Administrator
Office of the Registrar