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Dear Ushil

I am writing in response to your information request dated 10 October 2020 under the Official Information Act (Act).

You have asked for the following information relating to admission into the MBChB and BDS programmes at the University of Otago for 2021:

- 1) The 2021 UCAT Threshold for each of the 5 sections for MBChB; and
- 2) The 2021 UCAT Threshold for each of the 5 sections for BDS.

We set out our response to each of these questions below:

**The 2021 UCAT Threshold for each of the 5 sections for MBChB**

The UCAT Threshold is set annually by the Medical Admissions Committee. It has not yet been set this year for admission into the MB ChB programme in 2021.

**The 2021 UCAT Threshold for each of the 5 sections for BDS**

The UCAT threshold for admission into the BDS programme for 2021 used 3 sections of the UCAT test:

- Verbal Reasoning: 25 percentile and above met the threshold
- Decision Making: Score of 640 and above met the threshold
- Situational Judgement: Decile 1 – 9 met threshold

I trust that this information will be helpful.

Yours sincerely

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