
Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019 in which you requested the following:

**Your Request:**

I understand that LSGNT submitted a report each year to you for admission monitoring purpose for each cohort.

Could you please tell me the overall number of applications they received/number of applicants that were interviewed, in each year?

**Our response:**

I can confirm UK Research and Innovation hold information relevant to your request.

Please see the information relevant to your request below.

UKRI does hold information with regards to the total number of applicants submitted to the LSGNT CDT as part of our annual monitoring of CDTs. This information is held separately to the information on our student details portal, which contains information about funded students submitted to us by the university. The CDT monitoring information is not available yet for students starting in October 2017.

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We received several follow-up questions in regards to your previous FOI request 2018/0234; please find UKRI's responses below. As we explained in the document sent to you, the information was obtained from the student details portal on JES, not the annual CDT monitoring information.

*May I ask how did you handle the dual nationality applicants?*

The JES student details portal does not allow applicants to add more than one nationality. The university would have to select one from a drop down list.
The document contained the name ‘LSGNT’ is the nationality information of all applicants in 2018 entry. They have information of applicants of nationalities: ‘Benin’; ‘Costa Rica’; ‘Israel’; ‘Philippines’; ‘Saudi Arabia’. Your document includes all applicants applied to the LSGNT in the past 5 years, I am very surprised that those nationalities did not appear in the document you sent me, at all.

The document sent to you does not contain any information about applicants. The tables were clearly labelled as students starting at the CDT, not applicants. This explains the main mismatch in total numbers.

In addition, there are a range of other reasons why student numbers could differ slightly, some of which were noted in the document; different points in time at which the data is collected, different rounding methodologies used, or non-inclusion of aligned students, to name a few examples.

If you wish to pursue why there are differences in the numbers reported, we would advise that you contact the CDT directly, since all data on our records is submitted to us by them or their university.

If you have any queries about this response please contact me, or if you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to request a review of our decision, please write to:

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North Star Avenue  
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SN2 1FL  
Email: foi@ukri.org

Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are still not content with the outcome of the review, you may apply to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review procedure provided by UKRI. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner  
Wycliffe House,  
Water Lane  
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Yours sincerely,

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