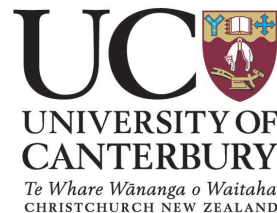


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15 February 2024

CW

By email: [fyi-request-25263-fd665025@requests.fyi.org.nz](mailto:fyi-request-25263-fd665025@requests.fyi.org.nz)

Dear CW

**Official Information Act request 23.146 Second year law grade information**

I refer to the Official Information Act (the Act) request dated 20 December 2023 for information relating to law student grade information. You have specifically requested:

- *I would like to request the final grade/s obtained by each of the persons accepted into second year law in the years 2020-2023 (including for those starting second year law in 2024).*

On 29 January 2024, I wrote the following to you regarding narrowing the scope of your request:

*We are currently working on your OIA request. During this process, it has become apparent that the request is very broad, given the number of students involved. There are also identifiability concerns regarding providing the grades for each course for these students, given that some students could pick a unique combination of courses. As it stands, we are likely to refuse the request under OIA s(18)(f), as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation and research. As a way forward, would your request be satisfied by providing more general information – for example, how many students were accepted into second year law for 2020- 2023, how many students applied for second year law in 2020- 2023?*

As of 14 February 2024, we have not had a response to this request to narrow the scope of your request. Therefore, your request is refused under s 18(f) of the Act, as the information could not be provided without substantial collation. The information is also withheld under s 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of the individuals. It is in the public interest that individuals are not identifiable when providing information under the Act.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Claire O'Connell'.

Claire O'Connell  
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