

30 April 2024

By email: fyi-request-26218-8edd99af@requests.fyi.org.nz

Tēnā koe John,

I refer to your information request dated 25 March 2024 made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You have requested the following information:

A breakdown of the applications, offers, and admissions into the 2024 MB ChB and BDS programs. I would like this to be broken up into the 3 categories and further into each subcategory. I would also like to know the minimum and median weighted GPA/ HSFY Top 7 average of those who were offered a place into the programs.

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

- The data is correct as at 30 April 2024
- It is the University's standard practice to not report on information where it relates to fewer than five individuals and we consider that such disclosure could affect an individual's privacy and wellbeing. Where the numbers are very low, there is a risk that the identity of these individuals could be determined or inferred, and that their personal information could be revealed. Accordingly, where there are fewer than five applicants in a particular dataset, we have withheld the actual number and indicated using "<5" ("fewer than 5") pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.

Number of applications to the 2024 BDS programme via the HSFY, Graduate and Alternative categories, broken down by Equity Group:

2024 Intake	HSFY	Graduate	Alternative
General	223	143	42
International	61	<5	27
Māori	34	12	<5
Pacific	20	11	<5
Socioeconomic	8	<5	<5
Refugee	12	7	<5
Rural	19	12	<5

Number of applications to the 2024 MB ChB programme via the HSFY, Graduate and Alternative categories, broken down by Equity Group:

2024 Intake	HSFY	Graduate	Alternative
General	307	227	86
International	49	9	n/a
Māori	58	16	<5
Pacific	26	15	<5
Māori & Pacific	<5	<5	<5
Socioeconomic	11	<5	<5
Refugee	13	8	<5
Rural	39	18	<5

Number of applicants receiving offers for enrolment, and the number of accepted offers into the 2024 BDS programme by category:

2024 Intake	Applicants receiving offers	Accepted offers
General	54	19
International	35	26
Māori	18	7
Pacific	9	<5
Socioeconomic	<5	<5
Refugee	8	<5
Rural	9	<5

Number of applicants receiving offers for enrolment, and the number of accepted offers into the 2024 MB ChB programme by category:

2024 Intake	Applicants receiving offers	Accepted offers
General	137	119
International	30	20
Māori	48	41
Pacific	17	15
Māori & Pacific	<5	<5
Socioeconomic	6	<5
Refugee	13	10
Rural	28	25

Minimum and Median Weighted GPA scores for students offered a place into the 2024 intake of the HSFY General Category of the BDS and MB ChB programmes:

Subject to the following comment, please see the below table which contains the information you have requested:

• GPA scores are not used for the HSFY category. Alternatively, average academic scores across an applicant's best seven papers in the year of application are used.

2024 Intake	BDS	MB ChB
Minimum average academic score	90.14	89.57
Median average academic score	93.86	92.00

In the above cases, 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.

I trust that this information will be helpful.

Yours sincerely

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