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Tēnā koe EM

I refer to your request for information dated 10 March 2026 made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You have requested the following information:

I am making an OIA request for the grade distributions of 200, 300, 400, 500 level Bachelor of Dental Surgery papers (including honours paper in 5th year).

This should specify how many students received each grade (A+, A, A-, etc) for each paper across 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th year etc as well as the specific grade percentage of the highest mark for each paper.

Anonymised statistical academic results data for papers offered by the University are published on our website: <https://www.otago.ac.nz/about/quickstats>. We do this so that all students can access this information at any time. The data excludes information we would withhold under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy and wellbeing of students.

The published spreadsheet indicates the number of students who achieved a particular grade or percentage mark for semester 1, semester 2, full year and summer school papers for each year from 2019 to 2025. Further information on the University's *Proactive Release Policy for Academic Results* is available here: <https://www.otago.ac.nz/administration/policies/policy-collection/proactive-release-policy-for-academic-results>.

Data has been published as it was held on 31 December 2025. If grade and mark distribution data for any paper was not confirmed at this date, the data for the paper may not yet be published.

Accordingly, we decline your request under section 18(d) of the Act, as the information you have requested is, or soon will be publicly available. We do however hope the published information will be helpful.

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.

Ngā mihi



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