



21 May 2024

Wei Rui

Via Email: 11287-950198f0@righttoknow.org.au

Freedom of Information Request 202400028 – Notification of decision

Dear Wei Rui,

On 29 March 2024, the Australian National University received your request seeking access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the Act).

1. Scope of Request

I have taken your request to be as follows:

'I am writing to kindly request a detailed breakdown of enrollment statistics, with a particular focus on the annual enrollment of Chinese students:

1.Enrollment data for Chinese students from the academic years 2015/2016 to 2023/2024, broken down by level of study and gender, for each academic year individually;

2.Enrollment data for Chinese students enrolled in Master's degree programs for the academic year 2023/24, categorized by the universities where they obtained their previous degrees; and

3.Enrollment data for Chinese students enrolled in Master's degree programs for the academic year 2023/24, categorized by their hometowns, referring to the cities where they are originally from or where they previously resided.

Additionally, it is important to clarify that by "Chinese," we are referring to individuals holding Chinese nationality, excluding those from Hong Kong, Macau, and Taiwan. Furthermore, for request 1, could you kindly provide a breakdown of Chinese student enrollments for each academic year, delineated by gender and specific levels of study (e.g., undergraduate, Master's by Coursework, Doctorate by Research), or any other classification that best suits your data structure? Regarding requests 2 and 3, in the event that the resulting tables are extensive, it is acceptable to organize the data in descending

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order based on enrollment numbers and present only the top 100 universities or hometowns'

On 18 April 2024, the University contacted you and sought an extension of time in accordance with section 15AA of the Act. Your agreement to the extension was received the same day, providing a new decision date of 27 May 2024.

On 19 April 2024, the University wrote to you seeking your agreement to de-identify the documents in this matter. You provided your response on 16 May 2024 where you agreed to deidentify the information contained in the document.

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a decision on your request for access under the Act.

2. Authority to Make Decision

I am an officer authorised under section 23 of the Act to make decisions in respect of requests to access documents or to amend or annotate records.

3. Relevant Material

In reaching my decision I referred to the following:

- The terms of your request
- Documents relevant to the request
- Advice from University staff with responsibility for matters relating to the documents to which you sought access
- The Act
- Guidelines published by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC) under section 93A of the Act (the FOI Guidelines)

4. Decision

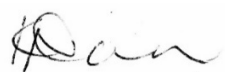
I am the authorised decision maker for your request.

I have identified one document containing deidentified data, extracted from ANU systems, considered to be within the scope of your request. I have decided to grant access to the document in full.

A copy of the document and a Document Schedule are enclosed with this letter.

Your review rights are outlined on the following page.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Dan', written on a light-colored rectangular background.

Kathryn Dan

Associate Director

Records and Archives

Your review rights

If you are dissatisfied with my decision, you may apply for internal review or Information Commissioner review of the decision. We encourage you to seek internal review as a first step as it may provide a more rapid resolution of your concerns

Application for Internal Review of Decision

Section 54A of the Act, gives you the right to apply for an internal review of my decision.

It must be made in writing within 30 days of receipt of this letter, no particular form is required but it is desirable to set out in the application the grounds on which you consider the decision should be reviewed.

The application should be addressed to Freedom of Information at foi@anu.edu.au.

Application for Information Commissioner Review of decision

Under section 54L of the FOI Act, you may apply to the Australian Information Commissioner to review my decision. An application must be made in writing within 60 days of the date of this letter, and be lodged in one of the following ways:

Form: either online form or downloadable form available at

<https://www.oaic.gov.au/freedom-of-information/your-freedom-of-information-rights/freedom-of-information-reviews/information-commissioner-review>

email: foidr@oaic.gov.au

Post: Director of FOI Dispute Resolution, GPO Box 5288, Sydney NSW 2001

More information is available on the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner website. <https://www.oaic.gov.au/freedom-of-information/your-freedom-of-information-rights/freedom-of-information-reviews>