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Dear ██████,

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“the Act”)

Further to your recent request for information held by King’s College London, I am writing to confirm that the requested information is held by the university.

Your request

We received your information request on 2nd January 2020 and have treated it as a request for information made under section 1(1) of the Act.

You requested the following information:

- 1. How many male, female, UG, PG, home, EU and international students with a Specific Learning Disability/Difference (SpLD) are registered with your Disability and Well-being Service?*
- 2. How many male, female, UG, PG, home, EU and international students with a mental health condition are registered with your Disability and Well-being Service?*
- 3. How many male, female, UG, PG, home, EU and international students with a autism spectrum disorder (ASD) are registered with your Disability and Well-being Service?*
- 4. How is ADHD categorized within your Disability and Well-being Service? Is it categorized as a SpLD, mental health disorder, both a SpLD and mental health disorder, or not categorized?*
- 5. How many male, female, UG, PG, home, EU and international students with ADHD are registered with your Disability and Well-being Service?*

6. How many male, female, UG and PG students with ADHD are in receipt of a Disabled Student's Allowance (DSA)?

7. How do your students with ADHD get access to medical treatment? Are they referred to a GP, referred directly to a specialist psychiatrist, or there is no referral policy.

Our response

Please see our response below.

Please note that due to the way the information is recorded, a UG / PG breakdown is not retrievable, so the figures are for UG and PG combined.

2017/2018 Academic Year	Male	Female	UG	PG	Home	EU	International
How many students with a Specific Learning Disability/Difference (SpLD) are registered with your Disability and Well-being Service?	556	1003	N/A	N/A	1172	281	106
How many students with a mental health condition are registered with your Disability and Well-being Service?	166	621	N/A	N/A	552	137	98
How many students with a autism spectrum disorder (ASD) are registered with your Disability and Well-being Service?	37	13	N/A	N/A	39	<10	<10
How is ADHD categorized within your Disability and Well-being Service? Is it categorized as a SpLD, mental health disorder, both a SpLD and mental health disorder, or not categorized?	ADHD can be categorized as both an SpLD and a mental health condition and to decide we will discuss with the student and also consider the medical evidence provided. ADHD can be diagnosed by SpLD assessors and in such cases will be categorized as an SpLD. It can also be diagnosed by psychiatrists (and other qualified medical practitioners) and in these cases is likely to be categorised as a mental health condition.						
How many students with ADHD are registered with your Disability and Well-being Service?	The categories used to record numbers of disabled students does not include ADHD and so we can't identify how many students with ADHD are registered. They will be included in the numbers of students with SpLDs (most of whom will be dyslexic) as well as those with mental health conditions. For the same reason we can't identify the number of those students who have DSA.						
How many students with ADHD are in receipt of a Disabled							

Student's Allowance (DSA)?	
How do your students with ADHD get access to medical treatment? Are they referred to a GP, referred directly to a specialist psychiatrist, or there is no referral policy.	For those students approaching us regarding medical treatment for ADHD we would recommend they see their GP.

2018/2019 Academic Year	Male	Female	UG	PG	Home	EU	International
How many students with a Specific Learning Disability/Difference (SpLD) are registered with your Disability and Well-being Service?	532	951	N/A	N/A	1023	332	128
How many students with a mental health condition are registered with your Disability and Well-being Service?	169	641	N/A	N/A	548	159	103
How many students with a autism spectrum disorder (ASD) are registered with your Disability and Well-being Service?	42	25	N/A	N/A	50	<10	<10
How is ADHD categorized within your Disability and Well-being Service? Is it categorized as a SpLD, mental health disorder, both a SpLD and mental health disorder, or not categorized?	ADHD can be categorized as both an SpLD and a mental health condition and to decide we will discuss with the student and also consider the medical evidence provided. ADHD can be diagnosed by SpLD assessors and in such cases will be categorized as an SpLD. It can also be diagnosed by psychiatrists (and other qualified medical practitioners) and in these cases is likely to be categorised as a mental health condition.						
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How do your students with ADHD get access to medical treatment? Are they referred to a GP, referred directly to a specialist psychiatrist, or there is no referral policy.	For those students approaching us regarding medical treatment for ADHD we would recommend they see their GP.						

This completes the university's response to your information request.

Your right to complain

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your information request or feel that it has not been properly handled you have the right to complain or request a review of our decision by contacting the Assistant Director of Business Assurance (Information Compliance) within 60 days of the date of this letter.

Further information about our internal complaints procedure is available at the link below:

http://www.kcl.ac.uk/college/policyzone/assets/files/governance_and_legal/Freedom_of_Information_Policy_updated_Oct_%202011.pdf

In the event that you are not content with the outcome of your complaint you may apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the internal complaints procedure provided by King's College London.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office
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Yours sincerely

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