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## Freedom of Information Act request, IMPFOI-24-556, Imperial College London response

1. *How many medical students were enrolled on the course at the start of the academic year?*

### Total students enrolled on MBBS programme by year of study:

	2022/23	2023/24
Year 1	363	376
Year 2	359	342
Year 3	368	339
Year 4	341	362
Year 5	332	347
Year 6	288	309
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>2051</b>	<b>2075</b>

2. *Over the academic year, how many medical students either chose to drop off their course or take a break from their course?*

3. *Please set out all reasons that students have reported dropping out or taking a break from medical school, if this data is collected by the university.*

4. *Over the academic year, how many medical students either chose to drop off their course or take a break from their course for reasons related to finance?*

Please see the table below (at page 3) for the information request at parts 1 - 4.

5. *What, if any, support is offered to students experiencing financial hardship?*

6. *Over the academic year, how many medical students requested access to the universities 'hardship fund' or equivalent scheme?*

The School of Medicine has its own hardship funds which are separate to the central Student Support Fund. Students usually have to first apply to the School of Medicine hardship fund before they can apply to the central fund.

### School of Medicine hardship fund applications and awards:

	Applications received	Number of awards made
<b>2022-23</b>	264	214
<b>2023-24</b>	251	192

**Imperial Student Support Fund applications and awards (from School of Medicine students):**

	<b>Applications received</b>	<b>Number of awards made</b>
<b>2022-23</b>	166	137
<b>2023-24</b>	132	102

### MBBS Withdrawals by academic year (01.09.xx to 31.08.xx)

Does not include deferrals or those who fail to enrol for Year 1.

Reason	2022/23						2023/24						Grand Total	
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total		
Deceased														0
Employment										1			1	1
Excluded	1					1								1
Failed	2	2				4	4	1					5	9
Financial reason														0
Health reason							1						1	1
Non engagement														0
Personal reason	4				4	8	5					2	7	15
Transfer institution (related study)		1				1	1	1					2	3
Transfer institution (unrelated study)		1				1								1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>31</b>	

### MBBS Interruptions of Study by academic year (01.09.xx to 31.08.xx)

Reason	2022/23							2023/24							Grand Total
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total	
Research/Internship						1	1								1
Sabbatical officer					1		1					1		1	2
Financial									1			1		2	2
Health reason		2	1	1	7	2	13	2	3		2	2	1	10	23
Maternity						1	1								1
Military service											1			1	1
Personal reason					2	1	3	2			1		1	4	7
Work commitments											1			1	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>38</b>