



## Various questions on Manchester Metropolitan Joint Institute and Sino-British College [MMU-FOI-00585]

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FOI <foi@mmu.ac.uk>

19 March 2024 at 10:39

To: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

**FOI ref: FOI-00585**

Further to your email below, I can now respond to your request dated: 25/02/24

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within Manchester Metropolitan University (the University) to locate the requested information and I can confirm that some of the information requested is held by the University.

**Please find below/attached the information held currently in the categories you have requested:**

**1) From 2015 to 2023, the numbers of Manchester Metropolitan University degrees (including all Bachelor and Master) conferred every year at the Manchester Metropolitan Joint Institute at Hubei University (Manchester Metropolitan Joint Institute in short) and Sino-British College at University of Shanghai for Science and Technology (Sino-British College in short). Please provide this information in aggregated numbers by different programmes**

Manchester Met has not conferred any degrees on students studying at the Manchester Metropolitan Joint Institute, Hubei University. The first cohort of students are in their 3rd year of a four-year degree programme, and so the earliest any student can graduate would be the summer of 2025.

Manchester Met does not confer degrees on students who study their degree in China at the Sino British College.

**2) Lists of education programmes, research projects, and research grants that are currently operational at Manchester Metropolitan Joint Institute and Sino-British College, either participated by Manchester Metropolitan Joint Institute and Sino-British College students and staff or sponsored by the Manchester Metropolitan Joint Institute, Sino-British College and the Manchester Metropolitan University.**

Manchester Met staff deliver the following programmes to students who are enrolled at Manchester Met (and at Hubei University) as part of the Manchester Metropolitan Joint Institute, Hubei University:

- BSc (Hons) Chemistry
- BEng (Hons) Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- BSc (Hons) Software Engineering
- MSc Advanced Materials

The Joint Institute itself does not have any staff – they are either employed by Manchester Met or by Hubei University, and students are enrolled at the two universities.

Manchester Met does not deliver programmes at the Sino British College and students at the Sino British College are not enrolled with Manchester Met.

**3) Manchester Metropolitan University policies and governance structure which oversee the operations, including student experience and research, at the Manchester Metropolitan Joint Institute and Sino-British College. Please provide relevant policy documents and/or relevant administrative staff role specifications where applicable.**

The formal governance of the Joint Education Institute is by a "Joint Management Committee" and an "Academic Committee and Discipline Development Committee", which includes membership of both Manchester Met and Hubei University. Additionally, Manchester Met has a Steering Group and Operational Management Group which oversee the work of the JEI from Manchester Met's perspective.

Manchester Met is not responsible for the governance or policies of the Sino British College.

**4) From 2015 to 2023, donations, grants, and research fundings received by the Manchester Metropolitan University and its affiliated entities from the Hubei University, University of Shanghai for Science and Technology and/or any affiliated individuals, companies, or relevant Chinese official agencies.**

Project Title: Bench Fees for Visiting Researchers

Project Dates: 1 Sep 2017 - 15 Apr 2018

Funder: Chinese Ministry of Science & Technology

Price to Funder (ex Partner Costs): £1k

Lead Faculty: Science & Engineering

**Complaint Rights**

*Your attention is drawn to the details below, which outline your right of complaint.*

*For information regarding how we will handle your personal data as part of our FOI process, please see the following address – <https://www.mmu.ac.uk/data-protection/privacy-notice/foi-and-rights-requests>. If you require a printed copy, please let us know*

*Should you have any further queries concerning this matter, please email, write or contact the team on telephone number 0161 716 3147 quoting the reference number above.*

Best wishes,

**Freedom of Information Team**

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**COMPLAINT RIGHTS**

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*You have the right to require Manchester Metropolitan University to review their decision.*

*Prior to lodging a formal complaint you are welcome and encouraged to discuss the decision with the case officer that dealt with your request.*

**Ask to have the decision looked at again**

*The quickest and easiest way to have the decision looked at again is to contact the case officer.*

*That person will be able to discuss the decision, explain any issues and assist with any problems.*

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**The Information Commissioner**

*After lodging an internal review with Manchester Metropolitan University, if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you can make an application to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Act.*

*For information on how to make an application to the Information Commissioner please visit their website at [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk). Alternatively, phone or write to:*

*Information Commissioner's Office*

*Wycliffe House*

*Water Lane*

*Wilmslow*

*Cheshire*

*SK9 5AF*

Phone: 01625 545 700

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 25, 2024 2:15 PM  
**To:** FOI <foi@mmu.ac.uk>  
**Subject:** FOI Request: Manchester Metropolitan University Involvement at Manchester Metropolitan Joint Institute and Sino-British College

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Dear Manchester Metropolitan University,

This is a Freedom of Information request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please provide the following information:

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If you feel that a substantive response to this request is not possible within a reasonable time frame, I would be grateful if you could contact me and provide assistance as to how I can refine the request. If you need any clarification, please contact me. I look forward to receiving a response in 20 working days. Many thanks.

Yours Sincerely,

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