



11 April 2024

Dear 

F-24-0003: Freedom of Information Request

We refer to your request for information dated 23/02/2024 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the “Act”).

Please find below your question, with the University’s corresponding response.

Question

- From 2015 to 2023, the numbers of University of Southampton degrees (including all Bachelor and Master) conferred every year at the Southampton Ocean Engineering Joint Institute. Please provide this information in aggregated numbers by different programmes.
- Lists of education programmes, research projects, and research grants that are currently operational at Southampton Ocean Engineering Joint Institute, either participated by Southampton Ocean Engineering Joint Institute students and staff or sponsored by the Southampton Ocean Engineering Joint Institute and the University of Southampton.
- University of Southampton policies and governance structure which oversee the operations, including student experience and research, at the Southampton Ocean Engineering Joint Institute. Please provide relevant policy documents and/or relevant administrative staff role specifications where applicable.
- From 2015 to 2023, donations, grants, and research fundings received by the University of Southampton and its affiliated entities from the Harbin Engineering University and/or any affiliated individuals, companies, or relevant Chinese official agencies.

Answer

In accordance with [Section 1\(1\)\(a\)](#) of the Act, we confirm that the University holds the information of the description specified in your request.

Question 1

None.

Question 2

Education programmes: BEng Marine Engineering, BEng Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering, BEng Underwater Acoustic Engineering, BEng Control Engineering.

Research projects – There are no research projects or research grants associated with the Southampton Ocean Engineering Joint Institute.

Question 3

The response to this question is found in the attached document named “F-24-0003 Q2 Response”.

Question 4

The University has received no donations, grants or research funding from Harbin Engineering University.

If you do not feel that we have dealt with your request in accordance with the requirements of [Part I](#) of the Act, you may request a review. Your request for a review **must** specify in what respect you consider that the requirements of [Part I](#) of the Act have not been met; mere dissatisfaction with our response is insufficient. Please address your request for a review by completing the [form](#) and selecting FoI Review.

In accordance with section 5.3 of the [Code of Practice](#), a request for a review must be sent within 40 working days of the date of this letter. The University is not obliged to accept any requests for a review beyond 40 working days. We will acknowledge your request for a review and endeavour to respond within 20 working days of its receipt but please note that a deadline for a review response is not prescribed by the Act.

The Information Commissioner is responsible for enforcing rights of access to information and the operation of the publication scheme. You may apply to the Information Commissioner in writing (FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution, Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF) or [electronically](#) for a decision whether, in any specified respect, your request for information has been dealt with by the University in accordance with the requirements of [Part I](#) of the Act. The Information Commissioner will not normally act unless they are satisfied that the University's review procedure has been exhausted.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'foi' in a cursive, lowercase style.