

**TU Dublin**

**Freedom of Information Disclosure Log – Summary 2023**

**Non-Personal Requests**

Disclosures are listed in order of the date the request was received by TU Dublin. Please note that, for privacy reasons, identifying information such as the name of the requester is not included in the Disclosure Log. **Also details relating to FOI requests for personal information are not listed.**

**For calendar year 2023, a total number of 82 FOI requests were received, 61 non-personal requests, 18 personal requests and 3 mixed request.**

Quarter	Ref	Date Request Received	Requester Category	Description of Request	Decision	Date of Response
1	FOI 23-001	03.01.23	Staff	Request pertains to the Convene Budget for the period from 1 April 2022 to 31 December 2022.	Refused Section 15(1)(g)	10.01.23
1	FOI 23-002	04.01.23	Staff	Request pertains to Convene Project Management in the period from 30 March to 8 October 2022.	Refused Section 15(1)(g)	10.01.23
1	FOI 23-003	10.01.23	Staff	Request pertains to Convene Budget in the period 30 March to 31 May 2022.	Refused Section 15(1)(g)	10.01.23
1	FOI 23-004	10.01.23	Staff	Request for documentation pertaining to the employment records of the number of people of colour/ other ethnic minorities employed by TU Dublin including career progression data for TU Dublin in the period 2012 to 2022.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	08.02.23
1	FOI 23-005	11.01.23	Staff	Request pertains to Convene Budget for the period 30 March to 31 December 2022.	Withdrawn by Requester	17.01.23
1	FOI 23-006	28.02.23 Amended	Journalist	Request relates to details of the tuition fee breakdown and allocation of expenditure in relation to a particular part-time course in TU Dublin.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	28.03.23
1	FOI 23-010	16.02.23	Journalist	Request relates to expenditure on the provision of mental health services in the academic year September 2021 to summer 2022 and academic year September 2022 to February 2023, and the number of students who availed of mental health services at the university in the same time periods.	Granted	16.03.23
1	FOI 23-011	16.02.23	Journalist	Request relates to the average wait time for access to mental health services in the university during the academic year September 2021/2022.	Granted	16.03.23
1	FOI 23-012	23.02.23	Journalist	Request relates to the number of cases of sexual harassment and/or abuse that were reported in TU Dublin by students and staff in each of the years 2019 to 2022, including records citing the number of students or staff who were fined, suspended, or expelled following such allegations in each of the years outlined, including details relating to gender.	Refused Section 37(1)	22.03.23
1	FOI 23-013	24.02.23	Journalist	Request relates to Fitness to Study and Fitness to Practice Committees held at TU Dublin from 2019 to February 2023.	Refused Section (15)(1)(a)	22.03.23
1	FOI 23-014	28.02.23	Journalist	Request relates to correspondence held by the President of TU Dublin referring or relating to the prevalence of racist attacks on students of TU Dublin for the period 1 September 2022 to 28 February 2023.	Part-granted Section 37(1)	27.03.23

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1	FOI 23-015	01.03.23	Staff	Request relates to the Organisational Design Project Steering Board pertaining to <i>Access and Apprenticeship</i> for records relating to the Terms of Reference, committee members, dates of committee meetings and minutes of meetings from September 2022 to February 2023.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	27.03.23
1	FOI 23-016	13.03.23	Client	Request consisted of 15 parts.	Refused Section 15(1)(g)	12.04.23
1	FOI 23-017	13.03.23	Client	Request consisted of 20 parts.	Refused Section 15(1)(g)	12.04.23
1	FOI 23-018	15.03.23	Others - public	Request relates to information relating to ICT Supplier Details and Contract Start and End Dates relating to Information Technology and IT.	Withdrawn by requester	16.03.23
1	FOI 23-019	26.04.23 Amended	Client	Request relates to the Applied Social Studies in Social Care Level 8 course TU991 run by the Department of Humanities for records relating to the course description and Early Exit Award Policy from 2017.	Part-granted Section 15(1)(a)	23.05.23
1	FOI 23-020	22.03.23	Others - public	Request relates to records pertaining to the College of Engineering and Built Environment, for the Subject Preparing for Employment from the inception of TU Dublin on the first of January 2019 until 2023, including numbers of students in each year, number of students in each year who completed the course, number of withdrawals, number of students who passed or failed the course and number of students who were awaiting grading.	Refused Section 15(1)(b)	23.05.23
1	FOI 23-021	28.03.23	Journalist	Request relates to records of accepted and rejected donations, gifts, grants and research funding received from Chinese individuals, Chinese companies, Chinese charities, Chinese government departments/agencies, and other Chinese organisations' over €10,000 for financial years 2019/20, 2020/21 and up until the end of 2022 for TU Dublin.	Part-granted Section 15(1)(a) – Part 2	25.04.23
2	FOI 23-022	26.04.23 amended	Others - public	Request pertains to a gender breakdown of the Athena SWAN groups including the Athena SWAN Self-Assessment Team (SAT) and all associated working groups; gender breakdown of membership and attendance at all Athena SWAN SAT and working group meetings from 1st January 2019 to April 2023.	Granted	08.05.23
2	FOI 23-023	13.04.23	Journalist	Request relates to accepted donations, gifts, grants, and research funding (worth over €5,000) given to TU Dublin from Chinese entities (companies or individuals) for the financial years of 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 including details of the donor name, total sum received (breakdown if applicable) and also the date TU Dublin accepted the money, the specific purpose for which the monies were received (the department that benefitted). Also details of how many of TU Dublin's students (undergraduate and postgraduate) are citizens of the People's Republic of China including details of the total amount of tuition fee funding generated	Part-granted Section 15(1)(a)	12.05.23

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				by this cohort for the financial years of 2020/2021, 2021/2022 and information available for the current year 2022/2023.		
2	FOI 23-024	20.04.23	Journalist	Request relates to the number of registered members of any student club or society linked to a registered political party with representation in the Dáil (Fianna Fáil, Fine Gael, Sinn Féin, the Social Democrats, the Labour Party, the Green Party/Comhaontas Glas; People Before Profit-Solidarity, and Aontú) in particular student branches of these parties - Ógra Fianna Fáil in respect of Fianna Fáil; Young Fine Gael in respect of Fine Gael; Labour Youth in respect of the Labour Party; The Socialist Worker Student Society in respect of PBP-Solidarity; Ógra Shinn Féin in respect of Sinn Féin and Soc Dems in respect of the Social Democrats. Also requested in respect of each student political society as outlined above - the total number of members registered in the current academic year; where the information is readily available, how many are registered students; how many are staff and how many are alumni.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	18.05.23
2	FOI 23-025	25.04.2023 amended	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to the number of UDL badges obtained by staff in TU Dublin; the number of teaching staff in TU Dublin; the number teaching staff have obtained UDL badges; best practice guidelines for how UDL is implemented in TU Dublin including a copy of the guidelines. Requested timeline - semester 2 2018/2019 and 2022/2023.	Part-granted Section 15(1)(a)	23.05.23
2	FOI 23-026	15.05.23 amended	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to the number of students who accepted their place in TU Dublin and deferred the year due to different circumstances from 2019 - 2023; the number of first year students accepted through CAO from 2013 - 2023; the number of first year students that withdrew from their course between 2013 - 2023; the number of students who opted to defer their course between 2013 - 2023 and the number of students who deferred the year, and accepted their place the following year between 2013 - 2023.	Granted	08.06.23
2	FOI 23-027	10.05.23	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to the number of academic staff (WTE) employed in the academic years 1999/2000 and 2000/2001; the number of Senior Lecturer 1 (Teaching) posts in the academic years 1999/2000 and 2000/2001; the number of academic staff in the academic year 2021/2022; the number of academic staff in the academic year 2022/2023; the number of academic staff on the Senior Lecturer 1 (Teaching) grade; the number of academic staff on the Senior Lecturer 1 (Teaching) grade c in the academic year 2022/2023 pertaining to the former DIT; IT Blanchardstown and IT Tallaght. Information sought pertaining to TU Dublin - The number of academic staff in the academic year 2021/2022; the number of academic staff in the academic year 2022/2023; the number of academic staff on the Senior Lecturer	Part-granted Section 15(1)(a)	08.06.23

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				(Teaching) grade in the academic year 2021/2022 and the number of academic staff on the Senior Lecturer (Teaching) grade in the academic year 2022/2023.		
2	FOI 23-028	30.05.23	Journalist	Request pertains to personal expenses (travel, subsistence, accommodation, etc.) claimed in 2020/2021, 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 by the President of TU Dublin including, but not limited to: taxis, hotel accommodation, meals, hospitality, car hire, international and domestic travel, public transport, bank charges, miscellaneous; including an itemised breakdown of each cost incurred and paid per academic year, the amount of expenses incurred as well as a year-by-year breakdown.	Granted	05.07.23
2	FOI 23-029	30.05.23	Journalist	Request relates to records pertaining to non-economy and non-budget class flights taken by staff during 2021/2022 and 2022/2023, including the cost of fare, class of flight (eg, first class, business class) destinations of same and the purpose of flights.	Part-granted Section 15(1)(a)	05.07.23
2	FOI 23-030	26.06.23	Others - public	Request relates to records pertaining to the College of Engineering and Built Environment, for the Subject Preparing for Employment from the inception of TU Dublin on the first of January 2019 until 2023, including numbers of students in each year, number of students in each year who completed the course, number of withdrawals, number of students who passed or failed the course and number of students who were awaiting grading.	Refused Section 15(1)(b)	21.07.23
3	FOI 23-031	07.07.23	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to information in a tabular format regarding the number of culinary training kitchens used each day (Monday to Friday) plus the hours when in use during term time in 2022 and 2023.	Granted	30.08.23
3	FOI 23-032	18.07.23	Journalist	Request relates to records pertaining to the number of live animals purchased for medical research purposes and amount spent including a break down what animals were purchased, how many of each animal was purchased and how many were killed.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	27.07.23
3	FOI 23-033	18.07.23	Journalist	Request relates to the number of students that were expelled from TU Dublin from 1 January 2019 (semester 2; and for academic years 2019/2020; 2020/2021; 2021/2022 & 2022/2023 including a breakdown of information by expulsion offence and by year.	Refused Section 37(5)(a)	25.07.23
3	FOI 23-035	25.07.23	Others - public	Request relates to information on the number of all-Terrain Vehicles held by TU Dublin.	Withdrawn and handled outside of FOI	25.07.23

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3	FOI 23-036	28.07.23	Journalist	Request relates to details on accepted donations, gifts, grants, sponsorships, scholarships, and funding (including research funding and teaching funding, as well as funding for university staff and professorships) that have come from oil and gas companies for the calendar years 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 to include: The name of the oil/gas company that gave the donation, gift, grant, sponsorship, scholarship, or funding; The start and end date of the donation, gift, grant, sponsorship, scholarship, or funding if available; The sum and description of the accepted donation, gift, grant, sponsorship, scholarship, and funding and description of what the donation, gift, grant, sponsorship, scholarship, and funding was used for in relation to specified oil/gas companies.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	28.08.23
3	FOI 23-037	01.08.23	Others - public	Request relates to records sought for final year on specified course for information held relating to the numbers of students who contacted COVID, were isolating/unable to attend/view online lectures, had no access to Broadband, what assistance was provided to students and dropout rates.	Part-granted Section 15(1)(a)	13.09.23
3	FOI 23-038	11.08.23	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to records covering legal fees paid by the university in utilising legal firms and consultancy firms to consult on and answer FOI requests and appeals of FOI requests including appeals of these to the Office of the Information Commissioner from 2019-2023.	Granted	08.09.23
3	FOI 23-039	11.08.23	Journalist	Request relates to records outlining the amount of funding the university has received from fossil fuel companies for each year between 2019 and 2023, and from which companies it was received, to include details on donations, gifts, grants and research funding.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	08.09.23
3	FOI 23-040	11.08.23	Journalist	Request relates to records on the number of animals used in research, testing or education from 2019 – 2023, broken down by year, the overall cost of each type of animal and the overall amount of money spent on animals and records detailing the species used in animal testing or medical or scientific education during the same period and any emails to the President of TU Dublin regarding the ethics of animal testing/the use of animals in research during the same period.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	08.09.23
3	FOI 23-041	28.08.23 Amended	Journalist	Request relates to correspondence between the chair of the TU Dublin Governing Body and members of the Governing Body relating to the Audit and Risk Committee; The Deloitte Review commissioned into the procurement and contracting arrangements relating to the Organisational Design Project and the terms of reference provided to Deloitte prior to commencement of their work on this review.	Part-granted Section 36 (1)(b) Section 37(1)	25.09.23

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3	FOI 23-042	22.08.23	Journalist	Request relates to records sought relating to the academic and attendance records for a former DIT student.	Refused Section 37(6)	19.09.23
3	FOI 23-043	22.08.23	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to Mental Wellness Index for HEIs for the academic year September 2022- August 2023.	Refused Section 15(1)(b)	24.08.23
3	FOI 23-044	05.09.23	Client	Request relates to student dropout rate for the Postgraduate Certificate in Energy Efficiency and Building Performance TU412 program at TU Dublin, with regard to numbers on enrolments, completion rates, dropout/withdrawal rates and reasons.	Granted	28.09.23
3	FOI 23-045	20.09.23	Journalist	Request relates to correspondence between Governing Body members of TU Dublin.	Part-granted Section 37(1)	18.10.23
3	FOI 23-046	25.09.23	Journalist	Request relates to minutes of the meetings of the Audit and Risk Committee of the Governing Body TU Dublin for 2021 and Q1 2022.	Part-granted Section 31(1)(a) Section 36(1)(a) Section 37(1)	19.10.23
3	FOI 23-047	21.09.23	Others - public	Request relates to records relating to the Environmental Management Course TU835/DT106 Year 4 for academic year 2021/22.	Granted	19.10.23
3	FOI 23-049	28.09.23	Others - public	Request relates to records of the numbers of people residing in each student accommodation unit owned by TU Dublin and the number of people residing in each of these student accommodation units with a home/family address in Co. Dublin.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	19.10.23
4	FOI 23-050	02.10.23	Journalist	Request relates to records pertaining to the amounts spent on international travel by individual academic staff between September 1, 2018, and August 31, 2019 and between September 1 2022 and August 31 2023 to include a breakdown of the destination, length, reason and cost of each trip, the name of the person who took each trip and their department and the overall and breakdown cost to the University with receipts of any expenses incurred while on trips.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	14.11.23
4	FOI 23-051	03.10.23	Journalist	Request relates to records pertaining to any reports, memos, submissions, research or other such discussion/overview documents referring or relating to the lower-than-expected student numbers enrolling in TU Dublin for period from 1 September 2022 to 3 October 2023.	Part-granted Section 36(1)(b)	15.11.23

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4	FOI 23-052	05.10.23	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to records pertaining to the late student payment fees issued by TU Dublin for 2019 to 2023 including - total number of late student payment fees; total amount collected; appeals/waivers; student progression; legal proceedings initiations; engagement of debt collection agencies and bad debt write-offs.	Part-granted Section 15(1)(a)	02.11.23
4	FOI 23-053	03.10.23	Staff	Request relates to the Access to Apprenticeship Programme.	Part-granted Section 36 (1)(b) Section 37 (1)	13.11.23
4	FOI 23-061	13.10.23	Client	Request relates to records pertaining to business students from the Faculty of Business assigned to internships broken down per year and details of companies (sectoral level) to whom they are sent, for the time period 2019 to 2023.	Granted	13.11.23
4	FOI 23-067	17.10.23	Client	Request relates to records pertaining to the costs associated with the development of the East Quad building on the Grangegorman Campus.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	14.11.23
4	FOI 23-068	24.10.23	Client	Request relates to records pertaining to TU Dublin's funding deficit for 2023 and TU Dublin Financial Statements for the years 2022 and 2023.	Refused Section 15(1)(f)	21.11.23
4	FOI 23-069	27.10.23	Staff	Request relates to the TU Dublin Researcher Award and the TU Dublin First Time Supervisor Award relating to applications for the awards in question for 20th June 2023. In particular records relating to - the number of awards made for each of the above award schemes; recipients of the awards; details of the Schools in TU Dublin who received the awards and number of awards per School; evaluation panel information; TU Dublin procedures for processing applications for these awards from the receipt of applications to notifying applicants of a final decision.	Part-granted Section 15(1)(d)	22.11.23
4	FOI 23-070	27.10.23	Others - public	Request relates to a training tender and tender process related records to include any procedures, guidance, flowcharts, codes of conduct, etc. relating to TU Dublin's procurement processes when requesting, preparing, issuing, assessing, scoring and awarding supplier request for tenders and contracts. In particular any standardised marking scheme for scoring tender submissions, the fair and equal opportunities for all tender responses, for time period of the previous 7 years.	Refused Section 15(1)(h)	20.12.23
4	FOI 23-071	03.11.23	Others - public	Request relates to records of the number of students who were enrolled and graduated from the Chemistry-based master's programmes at TUD for academic years 2021/2022 and	Granted	01.12.23

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				2022/2023 including class size; Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Technology; Pharmaceutical Quality Assurance & Regulation; Pharmaceutical Validation Technology.		
4	FOI 23-072	09.11.23	Others - public	Request relates to records pertaining to the names of companies involved in the weapons and defense industry (i.e. the manufacture, development, sale and distribution of weaponry, munitions, surveillance technology or the manufacture of components for weaponry) that TU Dublin currently invests in through its endowment funds, investments held in pensions, unit trusts and other financial products, along with the value of the investment in each. To include the details of any research funding from, or partnerships with companies in the defense and aerospace industries. Details including the nature of the research, amount of funding involved and duration of research project(s).	Part-granted Section 15(1)(a)	07.12.23
4	FOI 23-073	09.11.23	Others - public	Request relates to records pertaining to Israeli companies that have provided funding for research conducted in TU Dublin from 2018 until November 2023, along with the amount provided and the name of the research project; records relating to partnerships that TU Dublin may have with Israeli institutions, academic or otherwise and records relating to any Israeli companies that provide any services to TU Dublin, or that TU Dublin has trade with, or investments in.	Part-granted Section 15(1)(a) – parts 2 & 3	07.12.23
4	FOI 23-074	16.11.23	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to questions included in an attachment to the request, pertaining to IT equipment, devices and technology used by TU Dublin.	Withdrawn and handled outside of FOI	23.11.23
4	FOI 23-075	30.11.23 amended	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to purchasing records from the School of Biological Health and Sports Sciences, and the School of Chemical and Biopharmaceutical Sciences relating to details of any equipment purchased for these two departments for timeline 1 January to 30 November 2023 including purchase order date and vendor name.	Granted	20.12.23
4	FOI 23-076	22.11.23	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to companies involved in the weapons industries (i.e. the manufacture, development, sale and distribution of weaponry and munitions) that Technological University Dublin currently invests in through its endowment funds, investments held in pensions, unit trusts and other financial products, along with the value of the investment in each, for fossil fuel companies. In addition, to TU Dublin's full investment portfolio (the latest one) and the name of, and value of, war-industry companies that give research funding to the University including a detailed description of any research that is being conducted with these funds.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	07.12.23



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4	FOI 23-077	21.11.23	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to questions included in an attachment pertaining to IT equipment, devices and technology used by TU Dublin.	Withdrawn and handled outside of FOI	23.11.23
4	FOI 23-078	23.11.23	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to companies involved in the weapons industries (i.e. the manufacture, development, sale and distribution of weaponry and munitions) that Technological University Dublin currently invests in through its endowment funds, investments held in pensions, unit trusts and other financial products, along with the value of the investment in each, for fossil fuel companies. In addition, to TU Dublin's full investment portfolio (the latest one) and the name of, and value of, war-industry companies that give research funding to the University including a detailed description of any research that is being conducted with these funds.	Refused Section 15(1)(a)	07.12.23
4	FOI 23-079	23.11.23	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to records pertaining to Israeli companies that have provided funding for research conducted in TU Dublin from 2018 until November 2023, along with the amount provided and the name of the research project; records relating to partnerships that TU Dublin may have with Israeli institutions, academic or otherwise and records relating to any Israeli companies that provide any services to TU Dublin, or that TU Dublin has trade with, or investments in.	Part-granted Section 15(1)(a) parts 2 & 3	11.12.23
4	FOI 23-080	24.11.23	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to the car parks and/or parking in TU Dublin Blanchardstown Campus including information relating to the number of students who paid for parking from 1 July 2023 to 24 November 2023; the amount each student paid for this parking; the number of students who were clamped during 2022/2023; the amount of these charges; information relating to the management of the TU Dublin car parks and correspondence relating to car parking in Blanchardstown campus during 2022/2023.	Part-granted Section 15(1)(a) Section 15(1)(d) Section 36(1)(b)	22.12.23
4	FOI 23-081	24.11.23	Business/Interest Groups	Request relates to records pertaining to the spending on furniture and seating in TU Dublin/Central Qual from November 2022 - November 2023 along with extracts and correspondence regarding furniture and seating in Grangegorman during this time period.	Granted	22.12.23

The **CATEGORY OF REQUESTER TABLE** is divided into six categories –

1. Journalists,
2. Business/Interest Groups,
3. Oireachtas/Public Representatives,
4. Staff,
5. Client,
6. Other/Public

1. Requests shown in the Business/Interest Groups category would include requests for **non-personal** records from: business people, interest groups, solicitors, accountants, trade unions, etc.
2. Requests shown in the Oireachtas/Public Representative category would include requests from Members of the Oireachtas and from elected members of Local Authorities.
3. Requests shown in the Client category would include a request for records which related primarily to services that the requester had received from a public body e.g. Request from a Student to a body in the education sector etc.