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PRIVACY NOTICE APPLICANTS AND STUDENTS

This Privacy Notice explains how the personal data, including sensitive personal data the University of Chichester collects from you, may be used. This includes information relating to your application to study, all aspects of the academic administration of your study, associated financial matters such as fees and bursaries, your personal welfare, and your access to University facilities. **This Notice should be read alongside the University of Chichester Privacy Standard available from the Data Protection Officer, or online here:**

<https://www.chi.ac.uk/about-us/policies-and-statements/data-protection>

The University has a central procedure for dealing with all requests for access to personal information, in accordance with current data protection legislation. You are entitled to ask for your own personal data (a “subject access request”), however, this does not extend to the personal data of others. See further information below under “Further Information?” and “Your Rights” sections at the end of this Privacy Notice.

We use student data for internal reporting and statistical analysis connected with the management and planning of the University, and for compliance with legal obligations such as monitoring of Equality of Opportunity. We also use student data for internal surveys about your student experience, including (but not limited to) the Induction Survey for first year undergraduates. We may attach data such as programme of study and mode of study to your responses. All data collected in internal surveys are held securely. We have processes in place to ensure we do not identify any individuals when reporting results, and use our best efforts to ensure that no individuals can be identified by implication. Responses to internal surveys are anonymised and grouped before results are reported.

While data is mostly collected and maintained through the Academic Registry, the University will disclose that data to authorised users within the University to support the activities described above. Our policy, however, is to disclose information outside the University only if you have asked us to do so, or have agreed to the release of data, or if we are under a contractual or legal obligation to release the data or where a legitimate business interest is proportionate having regard to students’ individual rights, freedoms or legitimate interests.

The list below includes some of the uses to which the University will put your personal data, however, it is not possible to list all of the uses, or to list all of the bodies with whom we might have to share your personal data, where we have a legal basis for doing so in connection with your time here at the University.

We shall not disclose information about you to third parties, even to a parent or guardian, without your explicit consent, other than as described in paragraphs 12, 18, 19 and 20 below.

1. APPLICATION, OFFER AND ENROLMENT

When you make an application to study with us, accept an offer of a place, or enrol as a student, we will collect from you the data that you submit to us about yourself, your qualifications, and any other information you provide. We will only ask you for what is necessary, and we will use the information you provide to us to manage and consider your application, to make an offer to you, and to manage your studies at the University and our relationship with you. If you fail to provide information which is required, this may affect our ability to make an offer to you or to enrol you as a student.

2. STATUTORY RETURNS

We are required by the Office for Students (OfS) to collect certain data which is passed to the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA). HESA also requires us to contact graduates and ask about their employment after leaving the University. Please also see para 4 below for more information.

3. TEACHER EDUCATION STUDENTS

For students on courses of Initial Teacher Training, we are required to report to the National College for Teaching and Learning (NCTL) so that certificates of Qualified Teacher Status can be issued by them. We will also pass to NCTL the University of Chichester email addresses of QTS students to enable NCTL to contact students direct regarding their QTS certificate.

4. EXTERNAL SURVEYS

OfS also requires us to pass contact information about finalists to Ipsos MORI to carry out the National Student Survey (NSS). HESA's Fair Collection Notices can be seen on the HESA website, <http://www.hesa.ac.uk/collection-notice> and more information about the NSS on the NSS website <http://www.thestudentsurvey.com/>.

We will also provide contact information to Confirmit to undertake the Graduate Outcomes Survey approximately 15 months after graduating.

In addition, the University participates in national surveys on student engagement and student experience, including (but not limited to) the UK Engagement Survey (UKES), Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey (PTES), the Postgraduate Research Experience Survey (PRES), and the Skills Funding Agency FE Choices Learning Satisfaction Survey. Your contact details, programme of study, mode, and certain demographic information may be attached to your responses, however responses are anonymised and grouped for analysis at institute and sector level. Participation in the student experience surveys is optional and a data protection statement provided on the first page of each survey.

5. SLC AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Other examples where we are under a legal obligation to disclose data are the provision of information to the Student Loans Company.

The University has data sharing agreements in place with some local authorities for the purpose of processing Council Tax exemptions for eligible students. Our legal basis for sharing applicable personal data for this purpose is legitimate interests. These arrangements ensure a more efficient service or students who are eligible for Council Tax exemption and reside in participating local authorities. You have the right to object to this processing by emailing the University and stating the specific reasons for your objection to the processing of your data.

The University may be asked to share your personal data with the Electoral Roll Officer (ERO) Register. We will require you consent (which can be withdrawn at any time) to do this via an opt-in when you register on your course.

Our Tuition Fee Policy states that we may disclose information to a Debt Collection Agency appointed by us should you fail to pay fees due to the University.

6. TURNITIN

The University requires all students to submit their assessed coursework assignments via Turnitin. You should be aware that in submitting work to Turnitin for text matching, or as part of an e-submission pilot, you are agreeing with Turnitin®UK that it can be electronically checked for matches with existing sources and that an Originality Report can be generated.

The final submission you make to any Turnitin assignment will be kept on the Turnitin®UK database *permanently*. Work held on the Turnitin®UK database may be used for the purpose of detecting the future plagiarism of your own work and or in any investigation of suspected academic malpractice.

Originality Reports - generated by you or a member of staff - may be used to assist in the identification of plagiarised work submitted for formal assessment. An Originality Report will never be advanced as the sole reason for suspecting that a piece of work is plagiarised, nor may an Originality Report be advanced as the sole defence against an accusation of plagiarism.

Turnitin®UK has a [Privacy Pledge](#) and a [Usage Policy](#). It is recommended that you familiarise yourself with the contents of these.

7. HOME OFFICE: UK Visas & Immigration (UKVI)

Should you be from outside the EU, we are required to disclose information relating to your course enrolment, attendance and progression to UKVI.

8. PLACEMENTS

If you are on a course of study at the University which requires study, employment or a placement at another organisation it may be necessary for the University to transfer personal data to that organisation. Personal data or special categories of personal data, however, will not be transferred to a country outside the European Economic Area, unless that country has equivalent levels of protection for personal data, other than in specified circumstances.

9. STUDENT ATTENDANCE

The University has implemented an attendance management system, which operates by recording students tapping in to on-campus timetabled sessions. The primary purpose of this system is to enable relevant staff to more quickly identify students who, based on their non-attendance, may be at risk of under-achieving, being deregistered, or leaving the University entirely. Students will be able to see their own attendance records for their on campus, timetabled sessions. Communications about any absences will be stored in the attendance management system, and will only be accessible by the student and relevant staff members. Attendance data will be stored securely on on-site servers and transferred to Microsoft Azure Cloud Server until the student graduates, after which time data will be fully anonymised and only used for historic trend analysis.

10. THE HEAR

The electronic Higher Education Achievement Report (HEAR), which is an enhanced transcript of information about your studies and other activities formally verified by the University, is produced for Foundation Degree and Undergraduate Degree students on programmes based at the BOC and BRC campuses. Students will receive this in addition to their degree certificate.

The HEAR will be delivered via a secure web portal called Gradintel. This cloud service will receive and hold personal data about you from our Student Records System and will be delivered and supported by the suppliers (Tribal) of the University's admissions and student records system. Students will receive full instructions about how to activate their accounts via Gradintel so that they can access information released at any time during their time at University and afterwards. Students will have access to their HEAR in perpetuity via Gradintel. More information about the HEAR can be found here: <http://www.chi.ac.uk/study-us/student-services/welcome-careers-and-employability-service/hear>

11. REFERENCES AND CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATIONS

The University may release data about you in response to a request for a reference or for confirmation of your qualifications. Please note that we will only comply with a reference request where it is clear that the enquirer has the right to ask for the information, which will typically involve the consent of the former student to disclose their information. Further information about how third parties can verify qualifications can be found here: [LINK]

12. UNIVERSITY OF CHICHESTER STUDENTS' UNION

The University shares student personal data with the University of Chichester Students' Union (UCSU) in order for the Union to administer membership of the UCSU and its clubs and societies, to communicate with members, to hold elections of officers, to ensure the safety and security of members (including identification of individual members) to provide welfare services, to market services provided directly by the UCSU and to analyse service provision and membership requirements. This may include passing personal data to a third party organisation which provides website and membership systems for Universities and Students' Unions. In such circumstances, however, student personal data will remain the property of the University and will not be used by the third party organisation for commercial or marketing purposes, or passed to any other third party. In all other circumstances the information provided to the SU shall not be passed to any third party, without the express consent of the data subjects concerned unless specific permission from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor has been given. The UCSU shall implement appropriate mechanisms for students to opt out of membership of the Students' Union and to opt out of the use by the UCSU of all or any of their data at any time.

In addition to the above, personal data may be shared between the University and UCSU where this is in connection with an emergency, serious health or welfare issue or in relation to the prevention or detection of crime.

This data sharing is in accordance with a Data Sharing Agreement between the University and UCSU, which is located here:

<https://www.chi.ac.uk/about-us/policies-and-statements/data-protection>

13. PHOTOGRAPHY AND FILMING

We store the photograph used on your student Campus Card but we will not display your photograph publicly (e.g. on notice-boards) without consent or release your photograph outside the University. This will be deleted once you have completed your studies and you are an alumnus of the University

The University may also occasionally commission photographs around the campuses or at specific events such as Graduation and those may include images of students for inclusion in promotional material. If you do not want to appear in publicity materials please make yourself known to the photographer.

You should be made aware e.g. via location warning notice, verbally or via a consent process prior to the taking of photographs or film recording, both of the purposes and the location(s) where the photographs or film will be made available e.g. University web pages/intranet.

Some areas of the University are accessible to the public, e.g. the LRCs so they will be considered public areas. This means that filming or photography may take place, which incidentally capture passers-by in the background, without the need to get their consent. However, there should a Location Warning Notice for Filming/Photography should be displayed, so that you are aware of that this might happen.

14. ALUMNI RELATIONS

In respect of all eligible finalists, whether attending or not attending a graduation ceremony, your

- Name and award title (but not your classification) will be included in the University's graduation programme
- Name will be printed on the University's 'Year of [xxx] ' t-shirt or hoody
- Name and award title (but not your classification) will be included in the Chichester Observer newspaper

If you object to these uses of your personal data you should tick the opt-out boxes on your Registration and Ticket Application Form or send details in writing or by email to the Graduation Office by a given deadline.

All student leavers will have the opportunity to become members of the University's Alumni Community. Finalists will be contacted before Graduation and you will be able to 'opt in' to having your name, contact information and award title used in commemorative publicity material and/or added to the Alumni database. For full details of how the Alumni Association will use your personal data please visit their webpage at: [Alumni](#) (and click on "Home"). You will have the opportunity to unsubscribe in all email correspondence and/or may withdraw from these communications at any time by contacting alumni@chi.ac.uk.

15. CCTV

We use CCTV in some areas where students' images may be routinely captured and stored for a limited period, solely for prevention of crime and apprehension and prosecution of offenders.

16. DISABILITY

We ask you about any disability you may have to enable us to support you should you have a disability. You can refuse to tell us about a disability but we will then not be able to support you so easily. We

monitor the numbers of students with a disability, and the type of disability, to support our legal obligations in relation to Equality of Opportunity.

17. EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES MONITORING

We will ask you about your ethnicity and we use that data only for the purposes of EO monitoring. You can refuse to tell us about your ethnicity.

18. LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

We disclose information to law enforcement agencies (such as the Police) only where they invoke their statutory powers in connection with the prevention or detection of crime, and then only when we are satisfied that the request has been properly made.

19. EMERGENCIES

Data protection legislation allows us to release data about you or about the person named by you for contact in emergency e.g. to a hospital or medical professional when your health is at risk and you are not able to give your specific consent. Our Student Services staff will always keep any record maintained to support your health and wellbeing confidential, and staff will explain any specific Confidentiality Policies.

20. HEALTH INFORMATION

Information on a student's health may be required prior to admission to certain programmes of study and for purposes linked with academic progress and examinations. Information about a student's health may also be necessary when a student undertakes fieldwork e.g. for health and safety or insurance purposes. The University may, in exceptional circumstances, contact third parties such as medical professionals or next of kin regarding the health of a student when it believes this to be reasonable and/or in the best interests of the student concerned. In these circumstances the University will attempt to gain the prior consent of the student but where consent cannot or will not be given it may act without consent.

The University will also use your contact details to keep you informed of initiatives relating to your time at the University e.g. careers services or postgraduate studies, as well as to provide details of the Alumni Association. If you do not wish to receive these communications please contact the University's DPO – contact details are given at the end of this Privacy Notice.

Whilst you can request a copy of the data we hold about you, you are also able to see most of that data yourself and update key information such as change of address, via the student portal. The University's Commitment Charter sets out our pledge to:

Safeguard information you supply in compliance with the requirements of data protection legislation, the Freedom of Information Act or any other statutory obligations of the University; to explain to you why we need to collect information.

21. DATA RETENTION

We will retain your full student record for five years after you have left the University so that we can fulfil our function of recording details of the awards we make, and provide details of your education

and references when asked to do so. After these five years we will retain sufficient details in order to confirm details of your award.

22. YOUR RIGHTS

You are entitled to request a copy of the data you provide to us in an electronic format so that you may pass that data to another body (the right to data portability), as well as to request a copy of the data we hold about you (a Subject Access Request). The DPO may defer dealing with a subject access request while they validate the identity of the individual making the request. For further information about making a subject access request click here:

<https://www.chi.ac.uk/about-us/policies-and-statements/data-protection>

You are also entitled to raise an objection to the processing where the processing of data we hold about you is likely to cause you damage or distress, and to request either the rectification of any incorrect data, the restriction of any further processing of your data or the erasure of your data (right to be forgotten). Whilst you have the right to withdraw your consent for processing your personal data where it is carried out with your consent, where we need the data as part of a contract, it is not possible to withdraw your consent as the data is required for the performance of the contract.

If you require further information on, or wish to object to, any of the uses to which we put your data, you should contact the University's Data Protection Officer using the details provided above.

Finally, you have the right to complain about the processing of your data to the UK regulator, the Information Commissioner's Office. For more information about this body and how to make a complaint, please see www.ico.org.uk.

In return, you must:

- ensure that all personal information which you provide to the University is accurate and up-to-date;
- inform the University of any changes to that information, for example, changes of address;
- check the information held by the University from time to time, in written or electronic form, and inform the University of any errors or, where appropriate, follow procedures for up-dating entries on computer forms. The University shall not be held responsible for errors about which it has not been informed.

23. STUDENT PROCESSING

Students may, from time to time, process personal information (for example, in course work or research). In all such circumstances the processing of personal data must comply with the requirements of the data protection legislation and the University of Chichester Privacy Standard. Students must seek guidance from their Academic Department accordingly. The Academic Department may also wish to refer the student to the DPO.

24. FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information and advice is available from University's Data Protection Officer:

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