

University of Leicester Equality Information

Student Data

Participation of students at the University of Leicester 2017/18

The Specific duties of the Equality Act 2010 require public bodies to;-

- Publish information relating to employees who share protected characteristics
- Publish information relating to people who are affected by the public body's policies and practices (e.g. students)

The following information is designed to give an overall indication of the position of the University with respect to those protected characteristics about which data is currently collected. It is used to guide further equalities work and further analysis may be possible where there are particular concerns.

Please note that where figures are given for UK HEI's (Higher Education Institutions), these are for the Academic Year 2016/17 which are the latest available. The UK HEI figures are based on data provided by the Equality Challenge Unit (now part of Advance HE) which provides representations of the protected characteristics for all staff I UK HEI's. To see complete data from 2016/17, please see Advance HE's previous statistical report on students in higher education. www.ecu.ac.uk/publications/equality-in-higher-education-statistical-report-2018

Key

BAME- Black and Minority Ethnic

CLS- College of Life Sciences

CSEN- College of Science and Engineering

CSSAH- College of Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities

PGT- Postgraduate Taught

PGR- Postgraduate Research

UG- Undergraduate

UoL- University of Leicester

1. Age

1.1 All UoL students by age group 2015/16-2017/18

All UoL Students by Age 2015/16- 2017/18	2015/16								
	17 and under	18-21	22-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70 and Over	Total
No.	14	9900	4735	2893	1403	483	76	15	19519
%	0.1%	50.7%	24.3%	14.8%	7.2%	2.5%	0.4%	0.1%	100%
2017/18									
	17 and under	18-21	22-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70 and Over	Total
No.	14	10812	4556	2956	1401	451	86	16	20292
%	0.1%	53.3%	22.5%	14.6%	6.9%	2.2%	0.4%	0.1%	100%
2017/18									
	17 and under	18-21	22-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70 and Over	Total
No.	13	11128	4465	2045	1066	333	85	14	19149
%	0.1%	58.1%	23.3%	10.7%	5.6%	1.7%	0.4%	0.1%	100%

In 2017/18, 58.1% of UoL total student population in were ≤21. Similarly, 58.1% of UK students were ≤21 in 2016/17.

1.2 All UG new entrants by age group, 2015/16 to 2017/18

UoL first degree UG new entrants by age group, 2015/16 to 2017/18						
	2015/16		2016/17		2017/18	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Young*	9557	82.5%	10673	85.1%	10956	87.3%
Mature	2034	17.5%	1870	14.9%	1591	12.7%
Total	11591	100%	12543	100%	12547	100%

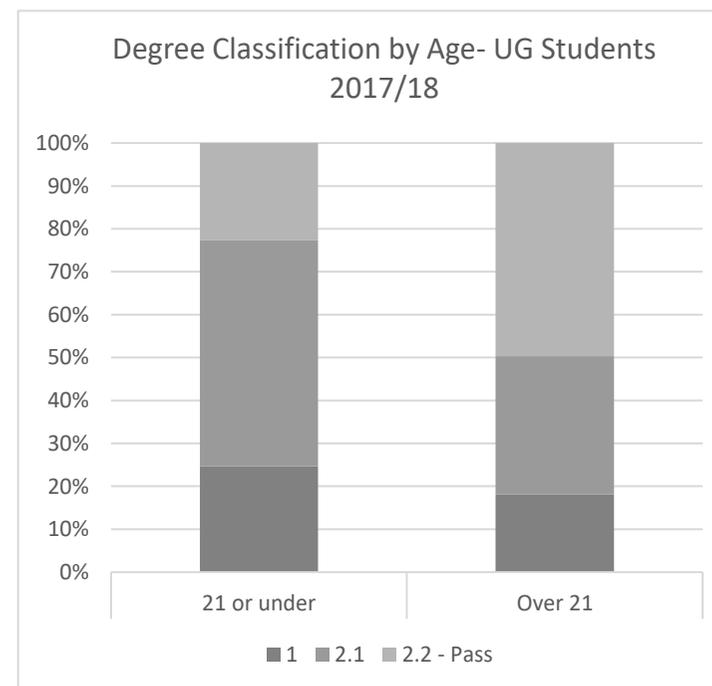
*Young is defined as ≤21

The proportion of mature students entering at UG level has declined since 2015/16, from 17.5% (2015/16) to 12.7% (2017/18).

1.3 UG Degree classification by age group 2017/18

Degree classifications by age group- All UG Students 2017/18						
Degree Classification	21 or under		Over 21		Grand Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No	%
1	657	24.7%	58	18.1%	715	24.0%
2.1	1398	52.6%	103	32.2%	1501	50.4%
2.2 - Pass	604	22.7%	159	49.7%	763	25.6%
Total UoL	2659	89.3%	320	10.7%	2979	100%

77.2% of those aged 21 or under achieved a first/2.1 degree in 2017/18. Nationally, in 2016/17, 79.6% of those aged 21< achieved a first/2.1 degree.



2. Disability

2.1 All UoL students by disability 2017/18

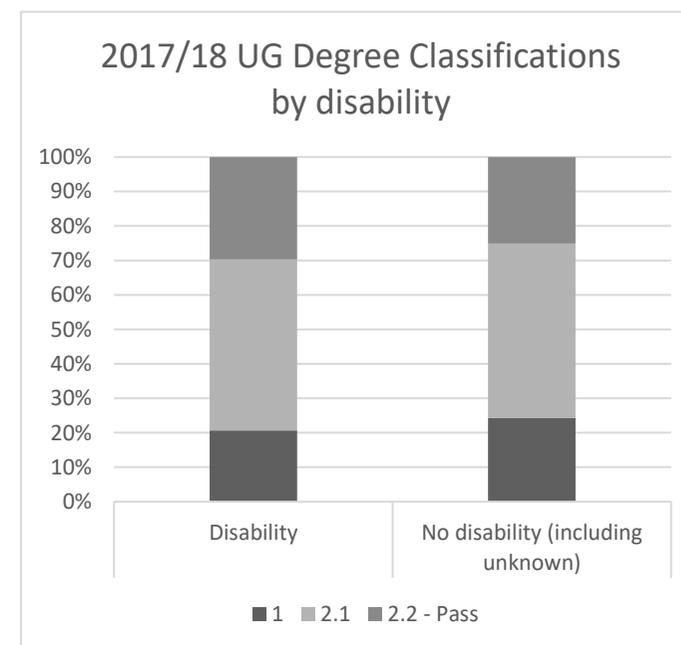
UoL	2015/16							2016/17							2017/18						
	Disability		No disability		Unknown		Total	Disability		No disability		Unknown		Total	Disability		No disability		Unknown		Total
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
	1853	9.5%	17270	88.8%	315	1.6%	19438	1942	9.6%	17872	88.1%	478	2.4%	20292	1830	9.6%	17137	89.5%	182	1.0%	19149

In 2017/18, 10% of UoL's student body were known to have a disability. Nationally, 12.0% of UK students disclosed as disabled in 2016/17.

2.2 UG degree classification by disability 2017/18

2017/18 Degree Classifications by Disability- ALL UG Students						
Degree Classification	Disability		No disability (including unknown)		Grand Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
1	67	20.7%	645	24.5%	715	24.0%
2.1	161	49.7%	1340	50.8%	1501	50.4%
2.2 - Pass	96	29.6%	667	25.3%	763	25.6%
Total UoL	324	10.9%	2636	88.5%	2979	100%

In 2017/18, 70.3% of UoL disabled first degree undergraduate qualifiers received a first/2:1. In the UK, in 2016/17, 73.2% of disabled first degree undergraduate qualifiers received a first/2:1



3. Ethnicity

3.1 All UoL students by ethnicity (BAME, White and Unknown) 2015/16- 2017/18

University of Leicester	2015/6				2016/7				2017/8			
	BAME	White	Unknown	Total	BAME	White	Unknown	Total	BAME	White	Unknown	Total
No.	8132	9588	1799	19519	9275	9767	1250	20292	9382	9040	727	19149
%	41.7%	49.1%	9.2%	100.0%	45.7%	48.1%	6.2%	100.0%	49.0%	47.2%	3.8%	100.0%

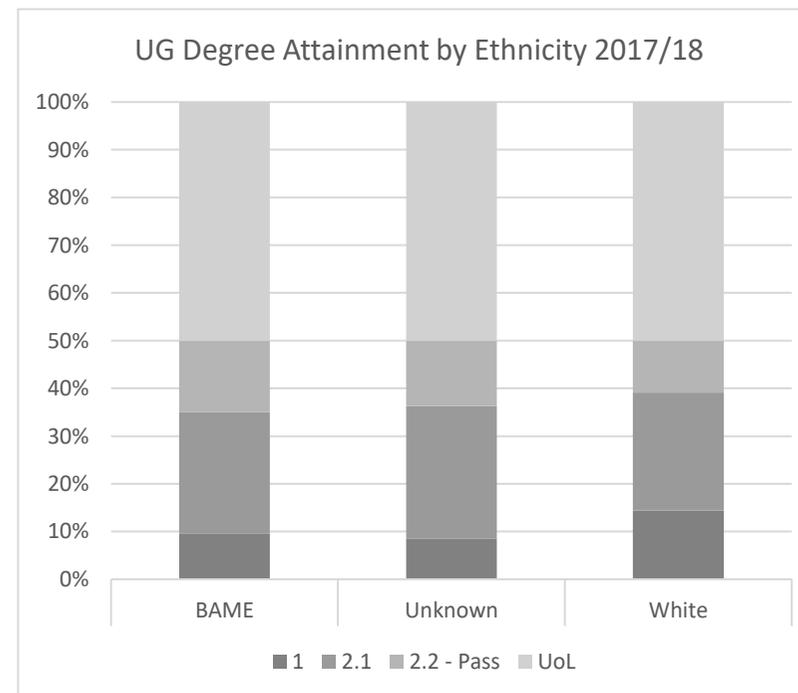
The proportion of BAME students at UoL has steadily increased since 2015/16, in 2017/18 29% of all UoL students identified as BAME. In 2016/17, 98.4% of all UK domiciled students disclosed ethnicity information. Of those whose ethnicity information was known, 22.7% identified as BAME

3.2 UG degree classification by ethnicity 2017/18

UG Degree Classifications by Ethnicity 2017/18								
	BAME		Unknown		White		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
1	249	19.2%	28	17.1%	438	28.8%	715	24.0%
2.1	657	50.8%	91	55.5%	753	49.5%	1501	50.4%
2.2 - Pass	388	30.0%	45	27.4%	330	21.7%	763	25.6%
UoL	1294	100%	164	100%	1521	100%	2979	100%

In 2017/18, 78% of white students received a first/2.1 compared with 70% of BAME students, representing a BAME degree attainment gap of 8 percentage points.

The Equality Challenge Unit (now part of Advance HE) reported that in the UK 79.6% of white students received a first/2:1 compared with 66.0% of BME students in 2016/17, representing a BME degree attainment gap of 13.6 percentage points.



4. Gender

4.1 All UoL students by gender 2015/16-2017/18

UoL	2015/6				2016/7				2017/8			
	Female	Male	Total	F%	Female	Male	Total	F%	Female	Male	Total	F%
	10196	9323	19519	52.2%	10453	9839	20292	51.5%	9964	9185	19149	52.0%

The proportion of gender balance of students at UoL has remained static since 2015/16. The higher proportion of female students aligns with UK figures, in 2016/17, 56.7% of all students studying in UK higher education were female.

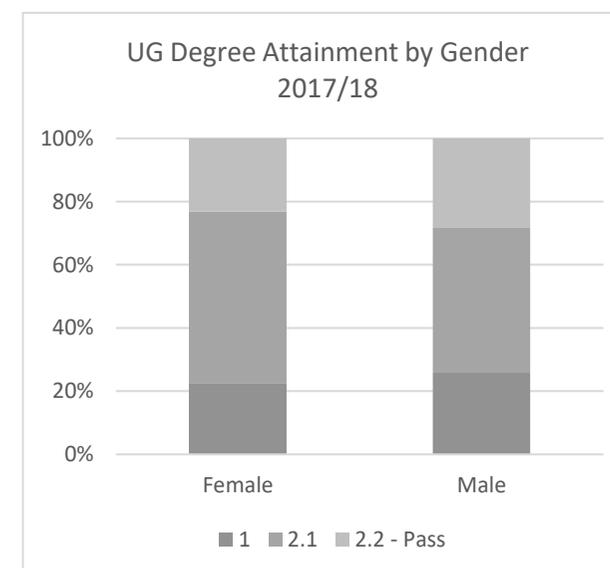
4.2 UG degree classification by gender

Degree classifications by Gender- All UG Students	Female		Male		Total
	No.	%	No.	%	
1	348	22.4%	367	25.8%	715
2.1	849	54.5%	652	45.9%	1501
2.2 - Pass	360	23.1%	403	28.3%	763
Total UoL	1557	100.0%	1422	100.0%	2979

In 2017/18, 77% of female first degree UG qualifiers received a first/2.1 compared to 72% of male first degree UG qualifiers. This aligns with national figures, in 2016/17, a larger proportion of female first degree undergraduate qualifiers received a first/2:1 than male qualifiers (76.8% compared with 72.2%).

4.3 UG degree classification by gender- UK domiciled students

Degree classifications by Gender- UK Domiciled Students	Female		Male		Total
	No.	%	No.	%	
1	284	24.3%	307	27.2%	591
2.1	647	55.4%	514	45.5%	1161
2.2 - Pass	237	20.3%	308	27.3%	545
Total UoL	1168	100%	1129	100%	2297

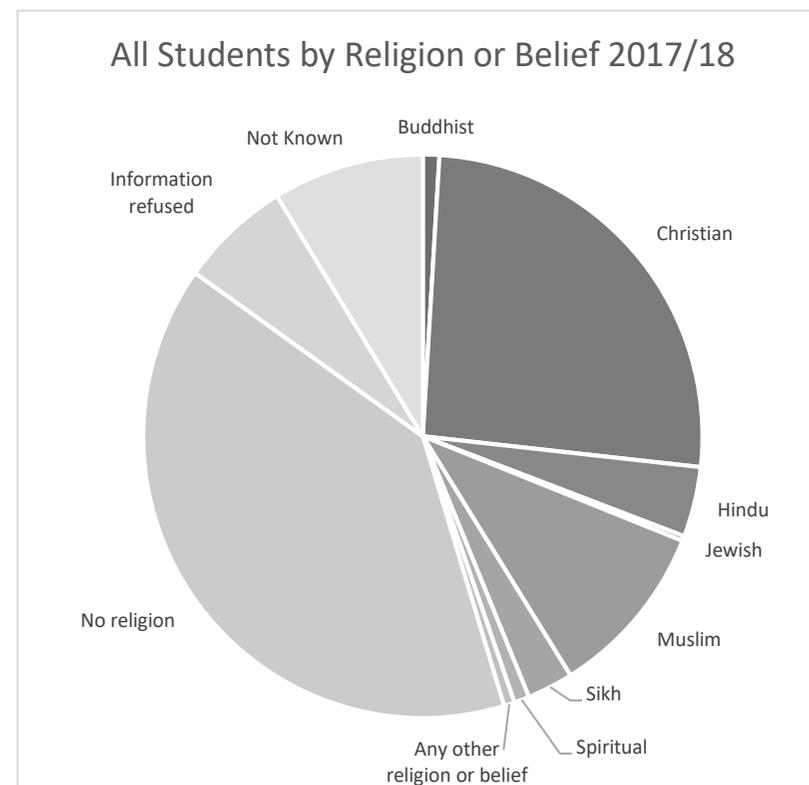


5. Religion or Belief

5.1 All UoL students by religion or belief 2015/16-2017/18

Religion and Belief- All Students	2015/6		2016/17		2017/18	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Buddhist	87	0.4%	156	0.8%	182	1.0%
Christian	2205	11.3%	3995	19.7%	4940	25.8%
Hindu	337	1.7%	589	2.9%	771	4.0%
Jewish	20	0.1%	41	0.2%	54	0.3%
Muslim	841	4.3%	1573	7.8%	1931	10.1%
Sikh	236	1.2%	393	1.9%	510	2.7%
Spiritual	75	0.4%	128	0.6%	169	0.9%
Other religion or belief	56	0.3%	100	0.5%	119	0.6%
No religion	3669	18.8%	6145	30.3%	7571	39.5%
Information refused	618	3.2%	1005	5.0%	1229	6.4%
Not Known	11375	58.3%	6167	30.4%	1673	8.7%
Total UoL	19519	100%	20292	100%	19149	100%

Of the whole student body (including overseas) in 2017/18, 39.5% reported no religion or belief, 25.8% were Christian and 10.1% Muslim.



6. Sexual Orientation

6.1 All UoL students by sexual orientation 2015/16- 2017/18

All UoL Students by Sexual Orientation	2015/16		2016/17		2017/18	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
LGB*	486	2.5%	821	4.0%	1071	5.6%
Heterosexual	6523	33.4%	11355	56.0%	14332	74.8%
Information refused	952	4.9%	1563	7.7%	1959	10.2%
Not known	11558	59.2%	6553	32.3%	1787	9.3%
Total UoL	19519	100%	20292	100%	19149	100%

*LGB includes: Bisexual, Gay man, Gay woman/Lesbian, Other

The University first started recording sexual orientation in 2015/16 and the proportion of students choosing not to disclose sexual orientation has decreased each year.