

# UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

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Re: FOIA 517

Dear Mr. LoPresti:

I write to respond to your Freedom of Information request of June 28, 2012, and received in my office on that date, in which you requested:

“...UI Urbana, UI Chicago, and UI Springfield Grade distributions for Summer 2011, Fall 2011, and Spring 2012, including:

- a) Subject (e.g. “Accounting”)
- b) Subject Initials (e.g. “ACCT”)
- c) Course Number (e.g. “2215”)
- d) Course Name (e.g. “Intermediate Accounting”)
- e) Class Section or CRN (e.g. “001” or “36125”)
- f) Class Instructor (e.g. “LoPresti, Glynn C”)
- g) Counts of each letter grade (A,A-,B+,B-,etc)”

Information responsive to your request is available and attached. These are public documents and would, if printed, number 493 pages. Because the XLS file type allows for editing of the included data, we ask that prior to opening the files you accept responsibility for accurate dissemination of this information and agree that no manipulation of the file that results in falsification of the information will occur.

Information for some classes has not been provided. Grade distributions and class GPAs are not displayed when a section has low enrollment or when all students in the class have the same grade. Section 7(1)(a) exempts “information specifically prohibited from disclosure by federal or State law or rules and regulations adopted under federal or State law.” The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), prohibits the disclosure of education records without express written consent of the students identified in those records. Because of the low enrollment in those classes, the grade data could identify a student. Thus, such information was not provided to you. In addition, teaching assistant names may have a value of “N/A” if the TA has requested anonymity under FERPA.

Should you wish to inspect or receive a physical copy of these documents, please call Melanie Kuehn at the phone number below and she will provide you with all necessary details.

You have a right, under the law, to seek a review of this response by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) in the Office of the Attorney General. The PAC may be reached by phone at 217-782-1396, by

email to [publicaccess@atg.state.il.us](mailto:publicaccess@atg.state.il.us), or by postal mail at the Public Access Bureau, 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706. You also have the right to seek judicial review under section 11 of this Act.

If you have questions for our office, please contact 217-333-6400.

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Hardy  
Executive Director  
and Chief Records Officer

cc: file

legal counsel