

Request Ref: 2832

FOI Request dated **07/03/2023** as follows -

How many care leavers, according to your institution's definition of a care leaver (for example, the Department for Education defines a care leaver as "[a]ll children who had been looked after for at least 13 weeks which began after they reached the age of 14 and ended after they reached the age of 16"), started an undergraduate degree course at your university in the academic year 2021/22?

Response

2019/20 total undergraduate first degree new starter population was 2905, of which **42** were care leavers **(1.4%)**

2020/21 total undergraduate first degree new starter population was 3113, of which **53** were care leavers **(1.7%)**

Of 2623 undergraduate degree course new starters at the University of Hull in 2021-22, **49** were from a care leaver background, i.e. **1.9%**

Data source:

HESA student return 2021-22

First year flag: on

Level of study: First degree

Care leaver: 01, 02, 03 or 04, code definitions can be found [here](#) but all care leavers in the FOI defined population were 01, which are care leavers 16+, which means they were in care on or after their 16th birthday.