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- 1. Do you monitor your students in terms of faith? If not, why not?
- 2. If you do, please provide data for the past three academic years [2020/21; 2021/22; 2022/2023]. To avoid GDPR issues, if numbers are below five simply put <5.
- 3. To which chaplains do students have access? Please state by faith.
- 4. Are they full time and accessible 24-7-academic-year? Please state on a religion-by-religion basis e.g., Catholic, Anglican, Muslim, Hindu etc. which are, and which are not.
- 5. Over the past three academic years how often were their services used? Please breakdown into the different faith groups.
- 6. Are all your chaplains campus based?
- 7. If not, why not?
- 8. If so, which have an office on campus?
- 9. Are any of your chaplains paid, and if so, which ones, and by whom [e.g., the university or their religious group such as the Church of England.]?
- 10. Do you have anyone who looks after the pastoral needs of humanists?
- 11. In this age of multi-religion do you have specific prayer facilities for specific religions? In Islam for example, worshippers must carry out ablutions before prayers. If not, why not?
- 12. What are the rules about using the faith room?
- 13. Can any student of faith or none use it as a safe area?
- 14. If not, why not?

Response

Please note we have a new chaplaincy model being introduced shortly, the first phase is the introduction of the new model, the next phase will be considering faith and spirituality safe spaces.

- 1. Whilst we do not monitor this data, it is self-declared by students, collected at registration and is returned in HESA student data submissions.
- 2. Please note this data is not monitored but as per Q1 is self-declared on registration –

Religious Belief	2020	2021	2022
Any other religion or belief	203	181	233
Buddhist	79	95	86
Christian	3707	4204	5022
Hindu	137	238	243
Information refused	811	721	932
Jewish	17	12	14
Muslim	1130	1559	1564
No religion	8284	7792	7169
Not known			65
Sikh	39	38	72
Spiritual	209	233	
Grand Total	14616	15073	15400

- 3. Our chaplaincy model is currently under review Christianity, Islamic
- 4. We have a voluntary chaplaincy model
- 5. We do not track this therefore information not held
- 6. Yes
- 7. N/A
- 8. They share a chaplaincy office on campus
- 9. No
- 10. All faiths and spiritual beliefs are considered in the new model
- 11. We are looking to move towards multifaith spaces and ablutions spaces will be available as part of that
- 12. Staff and student code of conduct apply with all university facilities
- 13. Yes, in the new model
- 14. N/A