

STATEMENT OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT PRACTICE AND MASTER RECORDS RETENTION SCHEDULE

Purpose and scope of this document

This document is designed:

- In the 'Statement of Records Management Practice', to set out the University's framework for the management of its records.
- In the 'Master Records Retention Schedule', to provide recommendations to University Institutions on minimum retention periods for various classes of records, including an indication of those records that are or might be suitable for permanent preservation within the University Archives at the University Library. Institutions are strongly encouraged to follow these recommendations which have been formulated in the context of existing University policies and guidelines, national legislation and sector-wide best practice standards.

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STATEMENT OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT PRACTICE

1 Scope

- 1.1 The efficient management of the University's records and information (hereafter collectively referred to as 'records') is necessary to support its core functions, to comply with its legal, regulatory and contractual obligations and to contribute to the effective management of its activities. This Statement sets out the University's framework for the management of its records.
- 1.2 This Statement applies to all records created, received or maintained by University staff in the course of carrying out their contractual duties.
- 1.3 This Statement does not apply to records created, received or maintained by staff employed by a College, or to records created, received or maintained by staff employed both by the University and a College where those records are held for the purposes of College, as opposed to University, business.
- 1.4 Records are defined as all documents and materials, regardless of format, which facilitate the activities carried out by the University. These records may be created, received and maintained in hard copy, electronically (including emails), or both.
- 1.5 Various classes of records, such as research records, also may be subject to external and/or specific contractual record-keeping requirements.
- 1.6 Records of some of the University's activities and functions are maintained using formal electronic document management systems. Where this is the case, the electronic copy of any record is to be regarded as the master record and as legally admissible under relevant legislation, standards and guidance.

2 Objectives

- 2.1 Records management is a discipline designed to ensure the effective, efficient and systematic control of the creation, receipt, maintenance, use, access, distribution, transfer, transmission, storage, security, disposal and destruction of records.
- 2.2 Records management helps to:
 - ensure that the University conducts itself in an efficient and accountable manner.
 - meet legislative and regulatory requirements.
 - support and document policy formation and decision-making.
 - facilitate the effective performance of activities and delivery of services throughout the University.
 - provide continuity in the event of a disaster.
 - protect the interests of the University in the event of litigation or otherwise.
 - establish and maintain the University's cultural identity and institutional memory.

3 Responsibilities

- 3.1 The University has a corporate responsibility to maintain its records and records management systems in accordance with legislation.
- 3.2 The Governance and Compliance Division is responsible for providing guidance and advice on good records management practice within the context of existing University policies and guidelines, national legislation and sector-wide best practice standards.
- 3.3 Each University Institution has overall responsibility for the management of the records generated by its activities. An Institution's records management systems, policies and procedures should wherever possible be consistent with the guidance and advice provided by the Governance and Compliance Division (including the Master Records Retention Schedule in this document).
- 3.4 Individual members of staff should ensure that records for which they are responsible are maintained and disposed of in accordance with any systems, policies and procedures in place within their Institution.

MASTER RECORDS RETENTION SCHEDULE

INTRODUCTION AND GUIDANCE NOTES

- 1. The recommendations in this Schedule apply equally to records created, received and maintained in hard copy and electronically.
- 2. This Schedule sets out the recommended periods for which the University's records should be retained and details what should be done with those records once their Retention Periods have elapsed. The recommendations within the Schedule apply solely to the University of Cambridge and not to records held by the 31 Colleges, each of which is a separate legal entity and therefore has responsibility for its own records and information.
- 3. The University's records may broadly be divided into three categories:
 - (a) Master Records

These are definitive copies of documents (or spreadsheets, databases, presentations, images, sound recordings, etc.) held by the 'Records Owner'. The Records Owner is either the originator of the Master Record or the current member of staff who is formally responsible for the Master Record as part of their duties. All Retention Periods recommended in this Schedule relate solely to Master Records.

(b) Duplicate Records

These are duplicates of Master Records (for example, multiple sets of committee minutes or copies of correspondence in the possession of staff other than the Records Owner). It is recommended that Duplicate Records should be kept for reference only, and for no longer than the Retention Period of the Master Record, and then destroyed.

(c) Transitory Records

These are records which have no significant on-going value after they have served their primary purpose. Some examples of Transitory Records are:

- draft documents and working materials which do not demonstrate significant steps in the development of a final version.
- documents containing requests for information which have no further value after the information is provided or received.
- items received only for information from elsewhere in the University, often as part of a distribution list.
- items received only for information from external organisations.

It is recommended that Transitory Records should be destroyed in the normal course of business when no longer required.

- 4. Identifying the Master Records, and the corresponding Records Owner, usually will be straightforward. However, due to the devolved nature of the University, and the fact that numerous individual members of staff in multiple Institutions may access and use the same records, on occasion it can be difficult to pinpoint the Master Records and corresponding Records Owner. In general:
 - (a) If the records are created/updated solely by one member of staff, those will be the Master Records and that member of staff will be the corresponding Records Owner.

Examples	
Master Records	Records Owner
Important emails held in an	The individual member of staff
individual's email account	
Teaching materials (e.g. slides,	The individual member of
handouts, Moodle resources) for a	academic staff
lecture course	
A manager's confidential sickness	The manager
absence spreadsheet	

(b) If the records are created/updated by one 'team' of staff (usually within a single Institution), those will be the Master Records and the head of that 'team' will be the corresponding Records Owner.

Examples	
Master Records	Records Owner
Important emails held on an	The HR team leader
shared HR email account	
Research datasets generated	The Principal Investigator
from a project	
Departmental examination records	The Departmental Administrator

(c) If the records are created/updated by multiple 'teams' of staff across different Institutions, the Master Records will be those held by the lead Institution for the activity, initiative or project, and the Records Owner will be the relevant senior member of that lead Institution.

Examples	
Master Records	Records Owner
Submissions to a University-wide consultation of all Departments	The project manager running the consultation
Records in CUFS	The Director of Finance
Copies of unsuccessful postgraduate student applications	The Head of Postgraduate Admissions
on the EDM linked to CamSIS	

5. The Schedule suggests recommended Retention Periods based where applicable on relevant legislative requirements. Some of the most important legislative requirements in relation to records retention are as follows:

(a) Data protection legislation

Data protection legislation (notably the UK General Data Protection Regulation and the Data Protection Act 2018) states that records containing personal data (i.e. information relating to living identifiable individuals) should not be kept for longer than necessary before being anonymised or destroyed. Under data protection legislation, organisations need to tell individuals in broad terms about how long their information will be retained. The University directs various types of individual (applicants, students, staff, alumni, research participants, and others) to this Schedule for this information, and so it is important that the recommendations herein are adhered to.

This does not mean that all records containing personal data ultimately require anonymisation or destruction. As set out in the Schedule, some identifiable records (e.g. core records about individual students or staff held in major IT systems) justifiably need to be retained in the very long-term for 'active' purposes (e.g. the provision of references). In addition, there are exemptions from the standard principle if records containing personal data are retained solely for the purposes of research, statistics or public interest archiving (which is why certain 'inactive' records may be retained in perpetuity in the University Archives).

(b) Financial and health and safety legislation

Various financial records have to be retained for a fixed period for tax, payroll or pension purposes. Similarly, various health and safety records (whether relating to general risk assessments or the specific health screening/monitoring of individuals) have to be retained for fixed periods.

(c) Legal documents and claims

Certain legal documents (e.g. contracts or deeds) necessitate a lengthy retention period. Even if a fixed retention period is not set out in a specific piece of legislation, many other records should be retained for a certain number of years to allow the University to defend itself from legal claims (e.g. proceedings brought under discrimination or employment legislation) or contractual disputes (e.g. with a supplier, collaborator or research sponsor).

- 6. Staff may be justified in applying different Retention Periods where other factors require consideration, such as an audit investigation, a court case, or on-going institutional requirements. Furthermore, if there are specific or supplementary contractual, legal/regulatory or best practice requirements which determine that certain University Institutions should keep particular records for longer or shorter Retention Periods than those recommended in the Schedule (or should retain/archive them in specific ways), then those alternative requirements should be followed.
- 7. The following guidance notes are designed to assist users of this Schedule.

(a) SUBJECT

This column describes the type or 'class' of records involved and applies equally to materials held in hard copy and electronically.

While the Schedule is split into sections and sub-sections largely based around the different UAS Divisions, not all of the records listed in this column will be physically or electronically held by the relevant Division. For example, some finance records are generated and stored within Schools and Departments rather than the central offices of the UAS Finance Division. Similarly, many records relating to teaching or research are maintained by School, Faculty or Department offices or individual members of academic staff rather than the relevant central offices.

The Schedule does not list the Records Owner for each class of records, as Master Records in many classes will be held in different ways in numerous Institutions. For example, Master Records relating to procurement are held both in the Procurement Services section of the UAS Finance Division and in individual Institutions, depending on the nature of the tender and the procurement process followed. Similarly, Master Records about procedures for numerous matters (e.g. building fire drills or local induction processes) are held throughout the University. On a few occasions, however, explanatory comments are supplied to assist.

(b) RETENTION PERIOD

This column sets out the recommended length of time for which the records should be kept within Schools, Faculties, Departments, UAS Divisions or other University Institutions as a matter of course.

Retention Periods are often described as: ['Trigger' point] + [Number of additional years to be kept]

(C) ACTION AT END OF RETENTION PERIOD

This column sets out the recommended action to be taken once the Retention Period has elapsed. There are four standard options:

(i) Send to University Archives.

Certain records have historical value and should be preserved in perpetuity. It is recommended that the Records Owner should contact the University Archives at the University Library to arrange a mutually convenient time to transfer the records to the University Archives. See too the official Collections Policy of the University Archives: <u>https://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/files/university_archives_collection_policy.p</u> <u>df</u>

- (ii) Send to Periodicals Department, University Library. This Department collects series of official University publications. It is recommended that the Records Owner should contact the Periodicals Department to make arrangements for the routine transfer of the records.
- (iii) Destroy.

It is recommended that the Records Owner should confidentially destroy the records. Paper records should be shredded or recycled (depending on the sensitivity and confidentiality of their contents). Electronic records should be securely deleted. (Wholesale backups of IT systems containing electronic records for disaster recovery purposes are not deemed to be active records. Therefore electronic records are considered to be 'destroyed' when the Records Owner performs the deletion.)

(iv) Initiate Archival Review Process. The Archival Review Process is designed to formally appraise and determine whether all, part or none of the records have historical significance and should be retained in perpetuity. It is recommended that the Records Owner should contact the University Archives at the University Library, which will either offer immediate guidance or arrange a Review Meeting.

Please note that there are also a range of non-standard options listed at various points in the Schedule; these should be self-explanatory.

SECTION 1 GOVERNANCE AND STRATEGY

	SUBJECT	RETENTION PERIOD	ACTION AT END OF RETENTION PERIOD
1.1	OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS		
	1.1.1 Official University publications, including the <i>Statutes and Ordinances</i> , Annual Reports, Annual Accounts (Financial Statements), Prospectuses, the <i>Reporter</i>	None: one copy to be sent to Periodicals Department upon publication (two copies in the case of the <i>Reporter</i>)	Send to Periodicals Department, University Library
	1.1.2 Records detailing the design, commissioning, editing and production of an official publication	Issue of publication + 3 years	Destroy
1.2	COMMITTEES, BOARDS, SYNDICATES, We (Excluding committees dealing with individual Examination Boards [for which see 2.3.11]))		
	1.2.1 Membership and appointment records	End of an individual's tenure + 6 years	Destroy
	1.2.2 Ballot papers for elections	Completion of election + 3 months	Destroy
	1.2.3 Registers of interests	End of an individual's tenure + 6 years	Destroy
	1.2.4 Agendas, minutes and papers for bodies listed in <i>Statutes and Ordinances</i> ; major pan-University committees; major School-level committees; major committees within individual University Institutions	End of current academic year + 5 years	Send to University Archives
	1.2.5 Agendas, minutes and papers for all other committees and working groups	End of current academic year + 5 years	Initiate Archival Review Process
	1.2.6 General working and organisational papers relating to committee business	End of current academic year + 5 years	Destroy (in the case of very significant committees: Initiate Archival Review Process)

1.3	STRATEGIES, PLANS, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES (Many of these records will be held as part of Committee papers and minutes [for which see 1.2] or within the published <i>Statutes and Ordinances</i> or <i>Reporter</i> [for which see 1.1])			
	1.3.1 Final major strategy documents	Until superseded by new strategy + 5 years	Send to University Archives	
	1.3.2 Working papers used in developing and updating major strategies	Issue of strategy + 5 years	Destroy	
	1.3.3 Final plans for implementing major strategies	Until superseded by new plan + 5 years	Destroy	
	1.3.4 Working papers used in developing and updating plans for implementing major strategies (e.g. analyses, management information reports, benchmarking exercises and performance monitoring)	Issue of plan + 5 years	Destroy	
	1.3.5 Final policy documents	Until superseded by new policy + 5 years	Send to University Archives	
	1.3.6 Working papers used in developing and updating policies	Issue of policy + 5 years	Destroy	
	1.3.7 Final procedural documents	Until superseded by new procedure + 5 years	Initiate Archiva Review Process	
	1.3.8 Working papers used in developing and updating procedures	Issue of procedure + 5 years	Destroy	
1.4	GOVERNMENT AND SECTOR REGULATOR	RELATIONS		
	1.4.1 General communications with governmental or parliamentary bodies and sector regulators (including enquiries and responses provided)	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes (as a general guide: End of current academic year + 6 years)	Destroy	
	1.4.2 Formal responses to governmental, parliamentary or regulatory surveys and consultations	Submission of response + 5 years	Initiate Archival Review Process	
	1.4.3 Records of the University's formal participation in governmental or parliamentary or public inquiries	Completion of inquiry + 10 years	Initiate Archival Review Process	

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	1.5.1 Records documenting the University's membership of sector-wide bodies (e.g. UUK, Russell Group, AHUA, BUFDG)	Until superseded by renewed membership records	Destroy
	1.5.2 Working papers documenting the University's involvement with sector-wide bodies	End of current academic year + 5 years	Destroy
	1.5.3 Formal responses to surveys and consultations run by sector-wide bodies	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes (as a general guide: Submission of response + 6 years)	Destroy
1.6	FRAUD, WHISTLEBLOWING AND INFORM	ATION/COPYRIGHT COM	IPLIANCE
	1.6.1 Fraud and whistleblowing case files	Last action on case + 6 years	Destroy
	1.6.2 Records regarding the University's interactions with the Information Commissioner's Office	End of current academic year + 6 years	Destroy
	1.6.3 Requests for personal data under data protection legislation	Last action on request + 6 years	Destroy
	1.6.4 Records of consent under data protection legislation	Until relevant personal data is anonymised or destroyed	Destroy
	1.6.5 Records of forms and portals used to secure consent under data protection legislation	Until associated personal data is anonymised or destroyed	Destroy
	1.6.6 Freedom of Information Publication Scheme	Until superseded by new Scheme + 5 years	Destroy
	1.6.7 Requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000	Last action on request + 6 years	Destroy
	1.6.8 Records retention schedules	Until superseded by new documentation + 1 year	Send to University Archives
	1.6.9 Records detailing the outcomes of archival appraisals	Completion of appraisal process + 10 years	Destroy
	1.6.10 Records regarding the upkeep of the University's copyright licences	End of current academic year + 15 years	Destroy
	1.6.11 Records concerning applications to copy outside the standard terms of a licence	Period for which permission is granted + 6 years	Destroy
	1.6.12 Records of inspections by copyright holders	Inspection + 1 year	Destroy

1.7	RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL AUDIT		
	(Some of these records will be held as part of which see 1.2])	Committee papers and n	ninutes [for
	1.7.1 Strategic and operational risk registers	Until superseded by updated register + 5 years	Destroy
	1.7.2 Working papers on the identification, assessment and management of risks to the University	Until risk no longer applicable + 3 years	Destroy
	1.7.3 Disaster response and recovery plans, emergency management plans, business continuity plans	Until superseded by new plan + 5 years	Destroy
	1.7.4 Internal audit reports issued to the University, and records of actions taken to address issues raised (for annual audits of the Financial Statements, see 5.1.4)	Completion of audit + 7 years (though longer retention periods may be necessary depending on findings)	Destroy
1.8	LEGAL DOCUMENTS AND SERVICES		
	1.8.1 Contracts and legal agreements on all topics (including supporting documentation and legal advice)	End of contract + 6 years (under signature) End of contract +12 years (under seal)	Destroy
	1.8.2 Leases and lease agreements	Expiry of lease + 15 years	Destroy
	1.8.3 Claims by or against the University which do not proceed to litigation or are settled by agreement (including supporting legal advice)	Withdrawal or settlement of claim + 6 years	Destroy
	1.8.4 Litigation with third parties where legal precedents are set (including supporting legal advice)	Settlement + 6 years	Retain core record in perpetuity under the supervision of the Legal Services Division
	1.8.5 Litigation with third parties where legal precedents are not set (including supporting legal advice)	Settlement + 6 years	Destroy
	1.8.6 Records relating to Trusts	Until Trust wound up or subsumed	Initiate Archival Review Process

1.8.7 General legal advice on matters of the University's status, governance, industrial	Until superseded by fresh advice + 12	Destroy
 relations and health and safety	years	
1.8.8 General legal advice on other matters	Until superseded by fresh advice + 6	Destroy
	years	

SECTION 2 STUDENT ADMINISTRATION

	SUBJECT	RETENTION PERIOD	ACTION AT END OF RETENTION PERIOD
2.1	CORE STUDENT RECORD		
	(Relating to individual students)		
	 2.1.1 Core electronic (CamSIS) and paper records about individual students, including: (a) basic personal details (b) information gathered at application (c) information gathered at registration (d) degree courses and papers undertaken, including relevant dates of teaching and assessment and College affiliations (e) information on academic progress and performance, including assessment outcomes (f) any supplementary information required for professional accreditation (g) summary information on examination allowances (h) transcript (i) reference(s) from the University (see 13.1.1 for basic records relating to students after graduation) 	Student graduation or departure + 6 years	Electronic (CamSIS) records: Retain in perpetuity Other electronic and paper records (whether held centrally or in Departments): Destroy (though longer retention periods may be necessary in some cases)
2.2	STUDENT RECRUITMENT, OUTREACH AN	D ADMISSIONS	
	2.2.1 Prospectuses	See 1.1	See 1.1
	2.2.2 Design, conduct and results of recruitment and outreach campaigns, initiatives and events	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes	Destroy
	2.2.3 Records of attendance at/engagement with recruitment and outreach campaigns, initiatives and events	Follow Higher Education Access Tracker (HEAT) retention periods	Destroy
	2.2.4 Anonymised summaries and analyses of enquiry, outreach and recruitment data	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes	Destroy
	2.2.5 Development of general admissions criteria	End of current academic year + 10 years	Send to University Archives

	2.2.6 Individual student applications:	Completion of	Destroy
	unsuccessful applicants	admissions round + 1	
		year (though longer	
		retention periods	
		may be necessary	
		for deferred or non-	
		standard	
		applications)	
	2.2.7 Individual student applications:	Held as part of Core	See 2.1
	successful applicants	Student Record	
	2.2.8 Individual student registration	Held as part of Core	See 2.1
	information	Student Record	
	2.2.9 Records relating to an individual	End of student's	Destroy
	student's Tier 4 visa status	sponsorship + 1 year	,
		or until a Home	
		Office compliance	
		officer has examined	
		and approved the	
		documentation	
		(whichever is the	
		sooner)	
2.3	STUDENT ASSESSMENT		
	2.3.1 Examination and assessment	Issue of new edition	Initiate Archival
	guidelines and handbooks (including	+ 10 years	Review
	examination rules and procedures)		Process
	2.3.2 Records concerning the appointment of	End of an individual's	Destroy
	individual external examiners	appointment + 1 year	,
	2.3.3 Summaries of examination allowances	Held as part of Core	See 2.1
	relating to individual students	Student Record	
	2.3.4 Doctoral theses (research postgraduate	None: one paper and	Send to
	students)	one digital copy to be	Manuscripts
	,	sent to University	Department,
		Library immediately	University
		upon successful	Library and to
		completion of	University's
		programme	digital
		Programmo	Institutional
			Repository
			(Apollo)
			(following
			instructions
1			
			from Student Registry)

	2.3.5 Examination papers	Publication + 1 year	Send to Periodicals
			Department,
			University
			Library
	2.3.6 Examination scripts, submitted	Follow Faculty or	Library
	assessments, dissertations and theses	Department policy	
	(undergraduate and taught postgraduate	issued pursuant to	
	students)	General Board	
		guidance	
	2.3.7 Total marks and marks for each	Follow Faculty or	
	element of the examination	Department policy	
		issued pursuant to	
		General Board	
		guidance	
	2.3.8 Rank-in-class (where recorded)	Follow Faculty or	
		Department policy	
		issued pursuant to	
		General Board	
		guidance	
	2.3.9 Marks for individual questions	Follow Faculty or	
		Department policy	
		issued pursuant to	
		General Board	
		guidance	
	2.3.10 Examiners' comments	Follow Faculty or	
		Department policy	
		issued pursuant to	
		General Board	
		guidance	
	2.3.11 Examination Board minutes, External	Follow Faculty or	
	Examiners' reports and classes awarded	Department policy	
		issued pursuant to	
		General Board	
		guidance	
2.4	STUDENT COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, DISCI	PLINE AND MISCONDU	СТ
	2.4.1 Individual student complaint files	Last action on	Destroy
		complaint + 6 years	200109
	2.4.2 Individual student academic appeal	Last action on appeal	Destroy
	files	+ 6 years	200109
	2.4.3 Individual student disciplinary files	Last action on	Destroy
		disciplinary case + 6	
		years	
	2.4.4 Individual student academic	Last action on	Destroy
	misconduct files	misconduct case + 6	
		years	
		years	I

	2.4.5 Individual student fitness to practice	Held in perpetuity	N/A
	files (and any other records in classes 2.4.1-		
	2.4.4 relating to medical or veterinary		
	education)		
	2.4.6 Individual concerns raised by students	Last action on	Destroy
	where formal procedures (complaints,	concern + 3 years	
	disciplinary, etc.) are not instigated		
2.5	STUDENT SUPPORT		
	(See section 8 for student services)		
	2.5.1 General administration of financial aid,	End of current	Destroy
	emergency or hardship funds, scholarships	academic year + 6	
	and bursaries (not at the level of individual students)	years	
	2.5.2 Design, operation and anonymised	While necessary for	Initiate Archival
	results of University-wide student surveys	reference and future	Review
		planning purposes	Process
2.6	STUDENT UNION AND UNIVERSITY RELAT	TIONS	
	2.6.1 Records of formal Student Union- University liaison committees	See 1.2	See 1.2

SECTION 3 TEACHING

	SUBJECT	RETENTION PERIOD	ACTION AT END OF RETENTION PERIOD
3.1	GENERAL UNIVERSITY TEACHING QUALIT	TY AND STANDARDS	
	3.1.1 Records detailing the development of general University quality assurance processes for teaching	Held as part of relevant committee papers	See 1.2
	3.1.2 Formal internal reviews of general University teaching quality and standards: final reports and core working papers	Held as part of relevant committee papers	See 1.2
	3.1.3 Formal external reviews (e.g. QAA) of general University teaching quality and standards: final reports, submission and supporting documentation	End of review + 10 years	Send to University Archives
3.2	TAUGHT DEGREE COURSE DEVELOPMEN REVIEW	IT, APPROVAL, DELIVI	ERY AND
	(The phrase 'taught degree course' is used her course at graduate level, or equivalent)	re to mean an entire Trij	pos, taught
	3.2.1 Core records detailing the development and approval of individual taught degree courses (including course content, background statistical and benchmarking information, validation processes)	Held as part of relevant committee papers	See 1.2
	3.2.2 Formal reviews of individual taught degree courses: final reports and core working papers	Held as part of relevant committee papers	See 1.2
	3.2.3 Anonymised summaries and analyses of student feedback on individual taught degree courses	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes (at least: End of current academic year + 12 years)	Initiate Archival Review Process
3.3	TAUGHT DEGREE COURSE ACCREDITATIO	ON	
	3.3.1 Records detailing the approval and accreditation of taught degree courses from professional, statutory and other formal accreditation bodies	End of accreditation process + 10 years	Initiate Archival Review Process

3.4	TAUGHT PAPER DEVELOPMENT, APPROV	AL, DELIVERY AND RE	EVIEW
	(The phrase 'taught paper' is used here to mean a specific paper/module/subject etc. within an overall Tripos, taught course at graduate level, or equivalent)		
	3.4.1 Core records detailing the development and approval of individual papers within taught degree courses	Held as part of relevant committee papers	See 1.2
	3.4.2 Handbooks and readings lists produced for a cohort of students	Completion of paper by the relevant cohort of students + 6 years (though longer retention periods may be necessary due to external accreditation or other quality assurance requirements)	Destroy
	3.4.3 Teaching and learning materials produced during the life of a taught paper for a given cohort of students (e.g. handouts and VLE resources)	Retention periods will vary according to the nature and medium of the materials and their on-going pedagogic value	Destroy
	3.4.4 Formal reviews of individual taught papers: final reports and core working papers	Held as part of relevant committee papers	See 1.2
	3.4.5 Anonymised summaries and analyses of student feedback on individual taught papers	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes (at least: End of current academic year + 12 years)	Destroy

SECTION 4 RESEARCH

	SUBJECT	RETENTION PERIOD	ACTION AT END OF RETENTION PERIOD
4.1	RESEARCH QUALITY, STANDARDS AND G	OVERNANCE	
	4.1.1 Records detailing the development of general University quality assurance processes for research	Held as part of relevant committee papers	See 1.2
	4.1.2 Formal internal reviews of general University research quality and standards: final reports and core working papers	Held as part of relevant committee papers	See 1.2
	4.1.3 Formal external reviews (e.g. REF) of general University research quality and standards: final reports and core working papers	End of review + 10 years	Send to University Archives
	4.1.4 Records relating to a project's research governance and ethics	Retention periods will vary according to specific ethics committee requirements and the nature and sensitivity of the research (as a general guide: retain for at least as long as the research data associated with the project)	See 4.2.6
	4.1.5 Case files relating to allegations of research misconduct	Closure of case or end of investigation+ 7 years	Destroy
4.2	RESEARCH PROJECT DEVELOPMENT ANI (The phrase 'research project' is used here to disciplines where 'projects' are not pursued in interrelated research work)	mean a defined project o	
	 4.2.1 Communications with research funders which lead to research projects 4.2.2 Communications with research funders which do not lead to research projects 	See 5.4.2 Last action on proposed project + 3 years	See 5.4.2 Destroy

 4.2.3 Records detailing the formation ar management of partnerships and other collaborations to undertake research 4.2.4 Research project design and 	d Life of partnership or Destroy collaboration + 6 years (though longer retention periods may be necessary due to specific contractual requirements) Completion of project Destroy
preparatory papers (generally held by th Principal Investigator) where the project pursued	e + 6 years
4.2.5 Research project design and preparatory papers (generally held by th Principal Investigator) where the project not pursued	
4.2.6 Research data, lab notebooks and working papers produced through the lif the project	
4.2.7 Papers (generally held by the Prin Investigator) detailing the overall management of research projects	cipal Completion of project Destroy + 6 years (though longer retention periods may be necessary due to specific contractual requirements)
4.2.8 Final reports produced by the Prin Investigator on externally funded resear projects	

	4.2.9 Final research outputs (formal publications etc.)	None: one copy to be archived immediately	Send to the University's
		upon publication	digital
		(note that duplicate	Institutional
		copies may be	Repository
		required by funders	(Apollo) (if
		or sponsors)	suitable for
			open access)
4.3	RESEARCH COMMERCIALISATION Guidance on records in this category (e.g. pate Rights registrations, trademark certificates) is a a case-by-case basis.		

SECTION 5 FINANCE

	SUBJECT	RETENTION PERIOD	ACTION AT END OF RETENTION
			PERIOD
5.1	GENERAL FINANCE		
	5.1.1 Annual Financial Statements: final copy	See 1.1	See 1.1
	5.1.2 Annual Financial Statements:	End of current	Destroy
	preparatory documents	financial year + 6 years	
	5.1.3 Financial Regulations and Procedures	Until superseded by new edition + 5 years	Send to University Archives
	5.1.4 Financial audits and actions taken to address issued raised	Completion of audit + 10 years (though longer retention periods may be necessary depending on findings)	Destroy
5.2	UNIVERSITY ACCOUNTING		
	5.2.1 Purchase orders, purchase invoices, sales invoices, credit card records, expenses payments, petty cash handling, retail sales transactions and other transaction records	End of current financial year + 6 years (though longer retention periods may be necessary due to the specific contractual requirements of a research project funder)	Destroy
	5.2.2 Student accounts and tuition fee records (for scholarships and bursaries, see 2.5.1)	Student graduation or departure + 6 years	Destroy
5.3	INTERNAL ACCOUNTING AND BUDGET MA	ANAGEMENT	
	5.3.1 Preparation and monitoring of annual operating budgets	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes	Destroy
5.4	FUNDING (INCLUDING RESEARCH FUNDIN	IG) ADMINISTRATION	

5.8	PROCUREMENT		
	5.7.3 Claims, and outcomes of claims, against insurance policies	Settlement or withdrawal of claim + 6 years	Destroy
	5.7.2 Records documenting the arrangement and renewal of insurance policies	Expiry of policy + 6 years	Destroy
	5.7.1 Insurance Certificates	Expiry of certificate + 40 years	Destroy
5.7	INSURANCE		
	5.6.7 Authorisations to dispose of capital assets	Disposal + 6 years	Destroy
	5.6.6 Valuations of capital assets	Until superseded by new valuation + 6 years	Destroy
	5.6.5 Purchase and sale of investments	Date of transaction + 6 years	Destroy
	5.6.4 Overall management of investment portfolio	Disinvestment + 6 years	Destroy
	5.6.3 Bank statements and associated documentation	End of current financial year + 6 years	Destroy
	5.6.2 Standing order and direct debit instructions	End of instruction + 6 years	Destroy
	5.6.1 Opening and closing of bank accounts	Closure of account + 6 years	Destroy
5.6	CASH, INVESTMENT AND ASSET MANAGE	EMENT	
	5.5.1 Preparation and filing of annual tax returns (incl. VAT)	End of current tax year + 6 years	Destroy
5.5	ТАХ		
		research project funder)	
		due to the specific contractual requirements of a	
		retention periods may be necessary	
	external funders/sponsors	years (though longer	Desiroy
	OfS) 5.4.2 Administration of research grants from	years End of grant + 6	Destroy
	5.4.1 Administration of annual funding allocations from funding bodies (e.g. UKRI,	End of current financial year + 10	Destroy

	5.8.1 Internal authorisations for procurement	End of current	Destroy
		financial year + 1	Destroy
		year (though longer	
		retention periods	
		may be necessary	
		due to the specific	
		contractual	
		requirements of a	
		research project funder)	
	5.0.2 Supplier evolution criteria	, ,	Destroy
	5.8.2 Supplier evaluation criteria	Until superseded by	Destroy
		new criteria + 5 years	
	5.8.3 Invitations to suppliers to apply for	Completion of	Destroy
	approval	approval process + 1	
		year (though longer	
		retention periods	
		may be necessary	
		due to the specific	
		contractual	
		requirements of a	
		research project	
		funder)	
	5.8.4 Evaluations of supplier applications:	End of approval	Destroy
	approved suppliers	period + 6 years	
	5.8.5 Evaluations of suppliers applications:	Rejection + 1 year	Destroy
	rejected suppliers		
	5.8.6 Tender evaluation criteria	End of resulting	Destroy
		contract + 6 years	
	5.8.7 Invitations to tender	End of resulting	Destroy
		contract + 6 years	-
	5.8.8 Evaluations of tender applications:	End of resulting	Destroy
	approved tenders	contract + 6 years	-
	5.8.9 Evaluations of tender applications:	Rejection + 1 year	Destroy
	rejected tenders		-
	5.8.10 Supply contracts (and ensuing	End of contract + 6	Destroy
	variations)	years	- ,
	5.8.11 Contract award notices	End of contract + 6	Destroy
		years	
	5.8.12 Reports on contracts for governmental	End of current	Destroy
	agencies	financial year + 3	200009
		years	
	5.8.13 Supplier performance monitoring	End of contract + 6	Destroy
			Desiroy
		years	

5.9	SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES	omponios ara constata l	
	(Once established, wholly-owned subsidiary companies are separate legal entities. Guidance on the management of a subsidiary company's day-to-day records may nonetheless be sought from the various sections of this Schedule.)		
	5.9.1 Records concerning the formation of a subsidiary company	Life of company + 6 years	Initiate Archival Review Process
	5.9.2 Proposals for the formation of a subsidiary company where the company was not formed	Last action on proposal + 6 years	Destroy
	5.9.3 Periodic review and oversight of the subsidiary company by the University	Held as part of the relevant committee papers	See 1.2
	5.9.4 Winding-up or disposal of the University's interest in the subsidiary company	Winding-up or disposal of interest + 6 years	Initiate Archival Review Process

SECTION 6 HUMAN RESOURCES

	SUBJECT	RETENTION PERIOD	ACTION AT END OF RETENTION PERIOD
6.1	CORE STAFF RECORD		
	(Relating to individual members of staff)		
	 6.1.1 Core electronic (CHRIS) and paper records about individual members of staff, including: (a) basic personal details (including emergency contacts) (b) initial application for employment, supporting documentation and related correspondence (e.g. references, statutory checks, right to work, work permits) (c) subsequent successful applications for other jobs within the University (for unsuccessful applications, see 6.2.2) (d) contract(s) of employment and records of changes to terms and conditions 	End of employment + 6 years	Electronic (CHRIS) records: Retain in perpetuity Other electronic and paper records (whether held centrally or in Departments): Destroy, with the exception of formal, centrally maintained, University Officer files, which are to be sent to the University Archives
6.2	PERSONNEL MATTERS		
	(Relating to individual members of staff, and p whether paper or electronic. For Occupational	•	personnel files,
	6.2.1 Job applications: successful applications	Held as part of successful applicant's core staff record	See 6.1
	6.2.2 Job applications: unsuccessful applications	Closing date for vacancy + 1 year	Destroy
	6.2.3 Unsolicited job applications	Receipt of application + 1 year	Destroy
	6.2.4 Records of induction programmes attended	End of employment + 6 years	Destroy

6.2.5 Records of general training anddevelopment programmes attended (see12.2.2 for records relating to specialist healthand safety training)	End of employment + 6 years	Destroy
6.2.6 Records of general training and development programmes attended where these are a statutory or regulatory requirement (see 12.2.2 for records relating to specialist health and safety training)	End of employment + 6 years	Destroy
6.2.7 Annual appraisals (including identification of training, development and welfare needs) and records of subsequent actions	End of employment + 6 years	Destroy
6.2.8 Promotions: re-grading confirmations and justifications; awards of contribution increments; Academic Careers Pathways applications and outcomes; supporting documentation	End of employment + 6 years	Destroy (with the exception of Officer records on scholastic achievements, which are to be sent to the University Archives)
6.2.9 Performance, disciplinary, complaint, grievance and capability proceedings (correspondence outlining concerns, confirmations of implemented support, outcomes of both informal and formal reviews, appeals)	End of employment + 6 years	Destroy
6.2.10 Remuneration and reward of an individual employee (including records of special rewards and employee authorisations for non-standard deductions from salary)	End of employment + 6 years (where held in personnel files) End of current tax year + 6 years (where held as financial records)	Destroy
6.2.11 Administration of an employee's contractual holiday (annual leave) entitlement	End of employment + 6 years	Destroy
6.2.12 Administration of an employee's absence due to sickness	End of employment + 6 years (where held in personnel files)	Destroy
	End of current tax year + 6 years (where held as financial records)	

	6.2.13 Administration of an employee's	End of employment +	Destroy
	special leave (e.g. compassionate, study,	6 years	
	research)		Destroy
	6.2.14 Administration of an employee's	End of employment +	Destroy
	parental leave	6 years	Desta
	6.2.15 Entitlements to and calculations of an	End of current tax	Destroy
	employee's Statutory Maternity Pay	year + 3 years	
	6.2.16 Records concerning termination of	End of employment +	Destroy
	employment (redundancy)	6 years	
	6.2.17 Retirement records	End of employment +	Destroy
		6 years	
	6.2.18 References provided by the University	End of employment +	Destroy
	to third parties about an employee	6 years	_
	6.2.19 Staff welfare records about individual	End of employment +	Destroy
	members of staff	6 years	
	6.2.20 Records relating to an individual staff	End of staff	Destroy
	member's Tier 2 or Tier 5 visa status	member's	
		sponsorship + 1 year	
		or until a Home	
		Office compliance	
		officer has examined	
		and approved the	
		documentation	
		(whichever is the	
		sooner)	
6.3	WORKFORCE PLANNING, RECRUITMENT		
	6.3.1 Assessments of workforce	Lintil our or o dod by	Destroy
		Until superseded by new assessment + 3	Destroy
	requirements		
	C 2 2 Design encyption and encyprised	years	Destroy
	6.3.2 Design, operation and anonymised	While necessary for reference and future	Destroy
	results of staff surveys conducted by the University		
		planning purposes	
		(as a general guide:	
		Until superseded by	
		new survey + 5	
	6.2.2 Monogoment evenesis a stars	years)	Destroy
	6.3.3 Management succession plans	Until superseded by	Destroy
	6.2.4. Vecency education ments and ist	new plans + 5 years	Sec. 6.4
	6.3.4 Vacancy advertisements and job	Held as part of	See 6.1
	descriptions	successful	
1		applicant's core staff	
		record	
	6.3.5 Management analyses of recruitment	While necessary for	Destroy
	6.3.5 Management analyses of recruitment effectiveness		Destroy

6.4	STAFF INDUCTION, TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT			
	(Generic; i.e. not relating to individual members of staff)			
	6.4.1 Development and content of induction,	Until superseded by	Destroy	
	training and development programmes (for IT	new programmes + 5		
	training, see 11.4.1)	years		
	6.4.2 Anonymised summaries and analyses	End of current	Destroy	
	of feedback on induction, training and	academic year + 5		
	development programmes	years		
	6.4.3 Management analyses of induction,	While necessary for	Destroy	
	training and development effectiveness	reference and future		
		planning purposes		
6.5	REMUNERATION			
	(Generic; i.e. not relating to individual members	s of staff)		
	6.5.1 Remuneration structures	Until superseded by	Send to	
		new structure + 10	University	
		years	Archives	
	6.5.2 General administration of pay reviews	End of current	Destroy	
		academic year + 6		
		years		
	6.5.3 General administration of special	End of current	Destroy	
	reward schemes (e.g. discretionary pay,	academic year + 6	_	
	bonuses)	years		
6.6	PAYROLL AND PENSIONS			
	6.6.1 Records documenting the calculation	End of current tax	Destroy	
	and payment of employees' salaries and	year + 6 years		
	other payments (for records relating to	, .,		
	individual employees, see 6.2.10)			
	6.6.2 Employer's PAYE records not sent to	End of current tax	Destroy	
	HMRC	year + 3 years		
	6.6.3 Records formally documenting the	End of involvement +	Destroy	
	University's involvement in the USS pension	5 years		
	scheme			
	6.6.4 Communications between the	While necessary for	Destroy	
	University and the USS pension scheme	reference and future		
	management	planning purposes		
	6.6.5 Employer and employee contributions	End of employment +	Destroy	
			,	
	to USS, CPS, NHS/MRC schemes. CCFPS.	75 years		
	to USS, CPS, NHS/MRC schemes, CCFPS, CUP schemes and any other pension	75 years		

6.7	TRADE UNION RELATIONS			
	6.7.1 The University's recognition and de- recognition of trade unions	Date of de- recognition + 6 years	Destroy	
	6.7.2 Agreements with trade unions	End of agreement + 10 years	Destroy	
	6.7.3 Routine communications with trade unions representatives	End of current academic year + 20 years	Destroy	
	6.7.4 Consultations and negotiations with trade unions on specific issues	Last action on negotiation + 20 years	Destroy	
6.8	EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY			
	6.8.1 Statistical information resulting from equality monitoring	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes	Destroy	
	6.8.2 Handling of formal complaints about discrimination	Last action on complaint + 6 years	Destroy	
	6.8.3 Formal equality impact assessments, schemes and action plans	Until superseded by new assessment or scheme + 5 years	Destroy	
	6.8.4 Annual reports on formal equality schemes and action plans	Date of issue + 5 years	Destroy	
	6.8.5 Formal monitoring of the equalities aspects of student admissions and progress	End of current academic year + 5 years	Destroy	
	6.8.6 Formal monitoring of the equalities aspects of staff recruitment and career progression	End of current academic year + 5 years	Destroy	

SECTION 7 ESTATES

The Estates Division has issued a separate retention schedule, which covers records relating to estates and buildings, facilities management, equipment and environmental matters. This is published as a separate document and is available from https://www.information-compliance.admin.cam.ac.uk/records-management.

SECTION 8 STUDENT AND STAFF SERVICES

Examples of services included in this section of the Schedule are the Counselling Services, the Disability Resource Centre, the Childcare Office, the Careers Service, University of Cambridge Sport, and the Accommodation Service.

8.1	SUBJECT STUDENT AND STAFF SERVICES: STANDA (Depending on the nature of the service, some Committee papers and minutes [for which see which see 1.1])	of these records may b	
	8.1.1 Formal agreements on service standards	Until superseded by new agreement + 3 years	Destroy
	8.1.2 Annual Reports	Issue of report + 5 years	Initiate Archival Review Process
	8.1.3 Development and management of promotional campaigns	Until superseded by new campaign + 1 year	Destroy
	8.1.4 Promotional materials	Until superseded by new materials + 3 years (though longer retention periods may be necessary for reference and future planning purposes)	Destroy
8.2	STUDENT AND STAFF SERVICES: FEEDBA	ACK AND COMPLAINTS	5
	8.2.1 Design, operation and anonymised results of surveys conducted by the service	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes	Initiate Archival Review Process
	8.2.2 Handling of formal complaints against the service	Last action on complaint + 6 years	Destroy
	8.2.3 Formal counselling and disability support files relating to individual users (staff or students)	Graduation or departure + 6 years	Destroy

SECTION 9 COMMUNICATIONS

	SUBJECT	RETENTION PERIOD	ACTION AT END OF RETENTION PERIOD
9.1	MEDIA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS		
	9.1.1 Formal press releases and media briefings	Date of issue + 10 years (though longer or shorter retention periods may be necessary depending on the nature and sensitivity of the content)	Destroy
	9.1.2 Media contact lists	Until superseded by new or updated list	Destroy
	9.1.3 Media enquiries and responses	Last action on enquiry + 5 years	Destroy
	9.1.4 Monitoring of media coverage	End of current academic year + 10 years	Destroy
	9.1.5 Enquiries from members of the general public and responses provided	Last action on enquiry + 3 years	Destroy
9.2	BRANDING AND MARKET RESEARCH		
	9.2.1 Records detailing the design of University branding (logos, etc.)	Until superseded by new branding	Send to University Archives
	9.2.2 Anonymised market research data	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes (as a general guide: Completion of market research + 5 years)	Destroy
	9.2.3 Records detailing the design and conduct of 'marketing' and advertising campaigns (excluding student and staff recruitment activities, for which see 2.2.2 and 6.3.4 respectively)	Completion of campaign + 6 years	Destroy

SECTION 10 LIBRARIES

Where applicable and relevant, the guidance in this section of the Schedule also applies to the University Museums.

	SUBJECT	RETENTION	ACTION AT
		PERIOD	END OF
			RETENTION
			PERIOD
10.1	DOCUMENTATION OF COLLECTIONS		
	10.1.1 Collection policies	Until superseded	Send to
			University
			Archives
	10.1.2 Accessions registers	Held in perpetuity	N/A
	10.1.3 Catalogues, indexes, guides	Until superseded	Send to
			University
			Archives
	10.1.4 Depositor/donor agreements	Held in perpetuity	N/A
	10.1.5 Disposal authorisations	Held in perpetuity	N/A
	10.1.6 Location registers	Until superseded	Destroy
	10.1.7 Collection audit reports	End of calendar year	Send to
		+ 5 years	University
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			Archives
10.2	READER REGISTRATION		Archives
10.2	READER REGISTRATION 10.2.1 Readers' records	End of registration + 7 years	
10.2		End of registration +	Archives
	10.2.1 Readers' records 10.2.2 Visitors' records	End of registration + 7 years	Archives
10.2	10.2.1 Readers' records	End of registration + 7 years	Archives
	10.2.1 Readers' records 10.2.2 Visitors' records	End of registration + 7 years	Archives
	10.2.1 Readers' records 10.2.2 Visitors' records USE OF COLLECTIONS	End of registration + 7 years End of calendar year End of calendar year	Archives Destroy Destroy
	10.2.1 Readers' records 10.2.2 Visitors' records USE OF COLLECTIONS 10.3.1 Enquiries about access to, and contents, of collections	End of registration + 7 years End of calendar year End of calendar year + 5 years	Archives Destroy Destroy
	10.2.1 Readers' records 10.2.2 Visitors' records USE OF COLLECTIONS 10.3.1 Enquiries about access to, and	End of registration + 7 years End of calendar year End of calendar year	Archives Destroy Destroy Destroy
	10.2.1 Readers' records 10.2.2 Visitors' records USE OF COLLECTIONS 10.3.1 Enquiries about access to, and contents, of collections	End of registration + 7 years End of calendar year End of calendar year + 5 years End of calendar year	Archives Destroy Destroy Destroy
	10.2.1 Readers' records 10.2.2 Visitors' records USE OF COLLECTIONS 10.3.1 Enquiries about access to, and contents, of collections 10.3.2 Stack requests	End of registration + 7 years End of calendar year End of calendar year + 5 years End of calendar year + 25 years	Archives Destroy Destroy Destroy Destroy
	10.2.1 Readers' records 10.2.2 Visitors' records USE OF COLLECTIONS 10.3.1 Enquiries about access to, and contents, of collections 10.3.2 Stack requests	End of registration + 7 years End of calendar year End of calendar year + 5 years End of calendar year + 25 years End of calendar year	Archives Destroy Destroy Destroy Destroy
	10.2.1 Readers' records 10.2.2 Visitors' records USE OF COLLECTIONS 10.3.1 Enquiries about access to, and contents, of collections 10.3.2 Stack requests 10.3.3 Reprography orders	End of registration + 7 years End of calendar year End of calendar year + 5 years End of calendar year + 25 years End of calendar year + 10 years	Archives Destroy Destroy Destroy Destroy Destroy
10.3	10.2.1 Readers' records 10.2.2 Visitors' records USE OF COLLECTIONS 10.3.1 Enquiries about access to, and contents, of collections 10.3.2 Stack requests 10.3.3 Reprography orders 10.3.4 Copyright declarations OUTREACH	End of registration + 7 years End of calendar year End of calendar year + 5 years End of calendar year + 25 years End of calendar year + 10 years Held in perpetuity	Archives Destroy Destroy Destroy Destroy Destroy N/A
10.3	10.2.1 Readers' records 10.2.2 Visitors' records USE OF COLLECTIONS 10.3.1 Enquiries about access to, and contents, of collections 10.3.2 Stack requests 10.3.3 Reprography orders 10.3.4 Copyright declarations	End of registration + 7 years End of calendar year End of calendar year + 5 years End of calendar year + 25 years End of calendar year + 10 years	Archives Destroy Destroy Destroy Destroy Destroy

	10.4.2 Talks, events and visits schedules	End of calendar year + 1 year	Send to University Archives
	10.4.3 Social media	End of calendar year + 5 years	Initiate Archival Review Process
10.5	CONSERVATION		
	10.5.1 Records of conservation and collection care	End of calendar year + 5 years	Send to University Archives
10.6	LOANS		
	10.6.1 Inward and outward loans records for exhibition or conservation	End of calendar year + 5 years	Send to University Archives
	10.6.2 Reader loan history and fines records	End of registration + 7 years	Destroy
	10.6.3 Inter-Library Loan requests	End of calendar year + 1 year	Destroy

SECTION 11 IT SERVICES

	SUBJECT	RETENTION PERIOD	ACTION AT END OF RETENTION
			PERIOD
11.1	DEVELOPMENT OF IT SYSTEMS		
	11.1.1 Records of the development, modification and maintenance of major IT systems	Decommissioning of system + 5 years	Destroy
	11.1.2 Initial development of major IT systems that are not implemented	Last action towards development + 5 years	Destroy
	11.1.3 Development of new, non-major IT systems (usually held as project management records)	Termination of project + 5 years	Destroy
11.2	OPERATION OF IT SYSTEMS		
	11.2.1 Routine monitoring of IT systems and actions taken to rectify problems	Decommissioning of system + 6 months	Destroy
	11.2.2 Software licences	Until superseded by new licence + 6 months	Destroy
	11.2.3 Email and connection log data	Date of log + 6 months	Destroy
	11.2.4 Web usage log data	Date of log + 3 months (though longer periods may be set by external usage monitoring services)	Destroy
	11.2.5 Anonymised summaries of log data	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes	Destroy
11.3	INFORMATION SECURITY		
	11.3.1 Records documenting attempted or actual security breaches of IT systems and action taken	Last action on breach + 6 years	Destroy
	11.3.2 Records documenting extraordinary institutional access to individual user accounts	End of access period + 3 years	Destroy
11.4	USER SUPPORT SERVICES		

11.4.1 Development and content of IT	Until superseded by	Destroy
training programmes	new programmes + 5	
	years	
11.4.2 Logs of requests for assistance from	Date of closure of	Destroy
IT system users ('tickets') and action taken	ticket + 1 year	
	(though longer	
	periods may be	
	necessary where	
	required for other	
	purposes e.g.	
	security, asset	
	management or	
	disciplinary matters)	

SECTION 12 HEALTH AND SAFETY (INCLUDING OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH)

	SUBJECT	RETENTION	ACTION AT	
		PERIOD	END OF RETENTION	
			PERIOD	
12.1	GENERAL HEALTH AND SAFETY			
	12.1.1 Health and safety inspections and audits and records of actions taken to address issues raised	Completion of inspection or audit + 10 years (though longer retention periods may be necessary depending on findings)	Destroy	
	12.1.2 Annual health and safety reports	Held as part of relevant committee papers	See 1.2	
	12.1.3 Records detailing the appointment of health and safety advisors	End of an individual's appointment + 5 years	Destroy	
	12.1.4 General health and safety information, induction and training materials for staff, students and visitors	Until superseded by new materials + 5 years	Destroy	
	12.1.5 General risk assessments of health and safety hazards	Until superseded by updated risk assessment + 5 years	Destroy	
12.2	HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES			
	12.2.1 Risk assessments involving hazardous substances	Held in perpetuity	N/A	
	12.2.2 Health and safety instruction and training records for employees exposed to hazardous substances (see 6.2.5-6.2.6 for records relating to general staff training and development programmes)	End of employment + 40 years	Destroy	
	12.2.3 Records concerning work with asbestos	Held in perpetuity	N/A	
	12.2.4 Records concerning work with radioactive and other hazardous substances	Held in perpetuity	N/A	
	12.2.5 Formal investigations and reports into injuries, dangerous occurrences, accidents, incidents involving hazardous substances, environmental incidents and outbreaks of notifiable diseases on University premises	Closure of investigation + 40 years	Destroy	

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	12.2.6 Official notifications as required of	Date of notification +	Destroy	
	injuries, dangerous occurrences, accidents,	6 years		
	incidents involving hazardous substances,			
	environmental incidents and outbreaks of			
	notifiable diseases on University premises			
	12.2.7 Records relating to disposal of general	Disposal of waste + 2	Destroy	
	waste	years		
	12.2.8 Records relating to disposal of	Disposal of waste + 6	Destroy	
	hazardous and clinical waste	years		
12.3	FIRE SAFETY AND FIRST AID			
	12.3.1 Records detailing the appointment of	End of an individual's	Destroy	
	fire wardens and first aiders	appointment + 5	2001.09	
		years		
	12.2.2 Fire sefety rick assessment and drill	Until superseded by	Destroy	
	12.3.2 Fire safety risk assessment and drill		Desiroy	
	procedures	updated risk		
		assessment or new		
		procedures + 5 years	Destroy	
	12.3.3 Fire fighting and safety equipment	Until re-tested + 5	Destroy	
	testing	years		
	12.3.4 Assessments of first aid facilities,	Until superseded by	Destroy	
	equipment and personnel	updated assessment		
		+ 3 years		
	12.3.5 Arrangements between the University	Until superseded by	Destroy	
	and the emergency services in the case of	new arrangements +		
	fire or medical emergency	5 years		
12.4	OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH			
	12.4.1 Occupational Health records	End of employment +	Destroy	
	(throughout employment) for employees	40 years	,	
	exposed to hazardous substances			
	12.4.2 Occupational Health records	End of employment +	Destroy	
	(throughout employment) for all other	8 years		
	employees			
12.5	SECURITY			
	12.5.1 Security incident reports and logs	Last action on	Destroy	
		incident + 3 years (though longer periods may be		
		necessary for evidential purposes)		
	12.5.2 CCTV images and other routine	Date of surveillance	Destroy	
	surveillance system records	+ 1 month (though		
		longer periods may		
		be necessary for		
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	evidential purposes	
	or for particular	
	systems)	
12.5.3 Building access logs	Date of log + 2 years	Destroy

SECTION 13 DEVELOPMENT AND ALUMNI RELATIONS

	SUBJECT	RETENTION PERIOD	ACTION AT END OF RETENTION		
			PERIOD		
13.1	ADMINISTRATION OF RELATIONSHIPS WITH ALUMNI, DONORS AND SUPPORTERS				
	13.1.1 Core records about individual alumni, donors and supporters: CUDAR records	Held in perpetuity	N/A		
	13.1.2 Core records about individual alumni, donors and supporters: departmental records	Last contact with individual + 6 years	Destroy		
	13.1.3 Records of transactions with minor donors to the University	End of current financial year + 6 years	Destroy		
	13.1.4 Records of transactions with major donors to the University	Retention periods will be determined on a case-by-case basis according to any contractual agreements	Destroy		
	13.1.5 Statistics, surveys and research relating to alumni, donors and supporters	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes	Destroy		
13.2	FUNDRAISING, EVENTS AND PUBLICATIONS				
	13.2.1 Design and conduct of fundraising campaigns and initiatives	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes	Destroy		
	13.2.2 Reports on outcomes of fundraising campaigns and initiatives	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes	Initiate Archival Review Process		
	13.2.3 Planning and organisation of events and meetings (e.g. reunions, corporate occasions) for cohorts of alumni, donors and supporters	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes	Destroy		
	13.2.4 Reports on outcomes of events for cohorts of alumni, donors and supporters	While necessary for reference and future planning purposes	Initiate Archival Review Process		
	13.2.5 Regular publications (e.g. magazines) for alumni, donors and supporters	None: one copy to be sent to Periodicals Department immediately upon publication	Send to Periodicals Department, University Library		

Γ	13.2.6 Irregular publications for alumni,	While necessary for	Initiate Archival
	donors and supporters, or concerning	reference and future	Review
	fundraising campaigns and initiatives/events	planning purposes	Process