

**Numbers of Students who Discontinued their Studies of
UGC-funded Programmes in the 2016/17 to 2018/19 Academic Year
by Reasons for Discontinuing Studies**

Reasons for discontinuing studies		Headcount		
		2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Voluntary	Academic reasons (e.g. continuation of study in another institution, unsatisfactory academic results, etc.)	785	738	668
	Non-academic reasons (e.g. emigration, employment, financial considerations, health, etc.)	398	399	481
	Failure to provide any reason	139	138	167
Involuntary	Termination of study by universities (e.g. terminated by universities for academic or disciplinary reasons, prolonged absence without notifying the universities, etc.)	594	587	563
	Death	13	11	9
Total		1 929	1 873	1 888

Note 1: Breakdown figures regarding the 2019/20 academic year are not yet available.

Note 2: The figures above cover full-time and part-time UGC-funded sub-degree, undergraduate and taught postgraduate programmes.