

FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND HEALTH

Programme Regulations 2020-2021

Programme Title BSc in Physics with Astronomy

Programme Code PHA

Offered on a full-time or part-time basis Full-time

Note: *Programme Regulations should be read in conjunction with Marks and Standards which can be found at <https://www.dcu.ie/ovpaa/Policies-and-Regulations.shtml>*

1. Programme Specific Rules and Requirements

1.1 Calculation for the Award Classification

The calculation of the final year award classification includes contributions from previous years' results as follows:

<i>Year/Subject contribution</i>	<i>Contribution to the award classification</i>
Year 3	20%
Year 4	80%

1.2 Monitored Attendance

Attendance is monitored on the following modules:

<i>Module Code</i>	<i>Module Title</i>
PS258	Physics Laboratory III
PS261	Physics Laboratory (PHA)
PS310*	Astronomical Techniques
IN316	INTRA (PHA)
PS451	Final Year Project

*(lab element)

1.3 Module Calculation

There are modules on this programme where the module mark will be calculated as the greater of (a) the weighted average of the continuous assessment percentage mark and the terminal examination percentage mark or (b) the terminal examination mark.

The modules are listed below:

<i>Module</i>	<i>Title</i>
PS201	Quantum Physics I
PS207	Nuclear Physics and Relativity
PS223	Introduction to Methods of Classical Mechanics
MS200A	Linear Mathematics
PS202	Electromagnetism
PS204	Solid State Physics I
PS213	Space Science and Technology
PS301	Quantum Physics II
PS302	Statistical Physics
PS307	Wave Optics
MS339	Mechanics
PS412	Electrodynamics
PS405	Extragalactic Astrophysics & Cosmology
PS403	Digital Signal Processing
PS406	Plasma Science and Technology
PS413	Nanotechnology and Surface Analysis

2. Derogations from Marks and Standards

Marks and Standards apply.

3. Progression

3.1 Credits for progression

Students must have successfully completed a minimum of 60 credits in a study period (62.5 in Year 2) in order to progress to the next study period.

3.2 Carrying of modules

Students will not be permitted to 'carry' modules under any circumstances.

4. Compensation

Compensation may apply, within the regulations specified in Marks and Standards, to all modules except the following:

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5. Resit Categories

The resit categories of modules on this programme and an explanation of those categories can be found at:

https://www101.dcu.ie/registry/module_contents.php?function=4&programme=PHA&yr=21

6. Repeat Arrangements

Where a student enrolled in Year 1 of the programme in the academic year 2019/2020 is required to repeat a module(s) or register for a deferred module(s), they will transfer to Physics General Entry (PGE) in 2020/2021 to sit:

- (a) the module(s) which they did not pass in the initial academic session if it is still offered on the new structure or
- (b) a replacement module(s) as indicated below.

Students who do not successfully complete MS129A in 2019/2020 must register for MS129 in 2020/2021.

Students who do not successfully complete PS108 in 2019/2020 must register for PS114 in 2020/2021.