NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR DIGITAL LEARNING

OPEN EDUCATION UNIT

Programme Regulations 2020-2021

Programme Title:	**BA in Humanities (Psychology Major)**
Programme Code	**BAPY**
Offered on a full-time or part-time basis	**Online Distance Education**

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 BA in Humanities (Psychology Major) degree will be awarded to a student who has successfully completed twelve modules (180 ECTS credits).
- The classification of the award will be based on post-foundation module marks obtained at the first attempt, based on the following weighting:
  - o One third from the average of the six intermediate level module marks
  - o Two thirds from the average of the three advanced level module marks
- Where the original precision mark is less than 40%, and the student subsequently successfully completes the requisite credits, the student will be awarded a Third Class Honours degree irrespective of the final marks achieved

To obtain an award at a specific classification, students must achieve the following:

First Class Honours	Average mark across the post-foundation reckonable modules of at least 70
Second Class Honours, Grade I	Average mark across the post-foundation reckonable modules of at least 60
Second Class Honours, Grade II	Average mark across the post-foundation reckonable modules of at least 50

Third Class Honours	Average mark across the post-foundation reckonable modules of at least 40

1.2   Monitored Attendance

Attendance at tutorials is not usually compulsory but some modules do involve mandatory tutorials/workshops. Non-attendance at a mandatory tutorial/workshop will result in a student being unable to pass the associated module. Mandatory tutorials/workshops, and/or related assessments, cannot be postponed or submitted as late assignments.

- PY110 involves mandatory participation in a research school.

2.   Derogations from Marks and Standards

Marks and Standards apply.

3.   Progression

Particular modules cannot be taken in combination, and certain modules cannot be taken without another module/other modules having previously been successfully completed (please see the relevant guide for module selection/registration schedule for full details).

See here for guides to module selection (registration schedules). These contain the full list of progression rules and guidelines.

3.1   Exit Awards

Students may exit the programme with a Diploma after successful completion of eight modules (120 ECTS credits), of which at least six must be psychology modules.

4.   Compensation

Compensation is not permitted on any modules on this programme.

5.   Resit Categories

The resits offered for the August examinations diet vary depending on the module to be re-taken. The following is an explanation of the resit categories. All modules except those specified below fall into category 1.

Resit category 1: A resit is available for all components of the module.

Resit category 2: No resit is available where the module is 100% assessed by continuous assessment.

Module Code	Module Title
PY320	Advanced Research Methods and Project*

*Please note: The completion of the PY320 independent research project involves a successful application for ethical approval of the project. If ethical approval is not granted for a research project a student cannot proceed to the data-collection phase.

Resit category 3: No resit is available for the continuous assessment component and the examination must be re-taken.