Programme Regulations 2015-2016

Master of Science in Computing

1. Programme-specific rules and requirements

To be eligible to graduate with the award of M.Sc. in Computing, candidates must pass 90 ECTS credits in total on this programme, including a project of 30 level 9 credits.
In this programme regulations document, the word 'major' means that a substantial proportion of a student's course of study is taken in a specialised subject area.

Students may graduate with an M.Sc. in Computing with a Major in Software Engineering, Security and Forensic Computing, Cloud Computing or Data Analytics, provided that they: (a) they pass the project deemed to be in the area of the Major, (b) they pass 30 credits of taught modules at level 9 deemed to be in the area of the Major and (c) they pass all the modules, which have been deemed to be required (core) modules for the Major.

The precision mark is normally defined as the overall weighted average for the first full presentation of marks (Ref: DCU M&S 8.1.3). Modules are normally weighted proportionally according to their credit value. As there are exceptions on this programme, listed below are the proportional weightings in percentage terms of each module, for the calculation of the precision mark.

When calculating a candidate's precision mark, each 7.5 credit module is weighted as 150. The 30 credit project is weighted at 300.

8 modules at 150= 1200 or 80%
1 project at 300= 300 or 20%

2. Derogations from Marks & Standards

There are no derogations for this programme. Marks and Standards apply.

3. Progression

Part-time students are allowed to retake failed modules in their second year, unless specific problems with (for example) prerequisites exist. After first year, part-time students, who have failed modules are allowed to select which modules they will take, subject to the requirement that they must take a minimum of four modules a year and may not carry more than one additional module per semester, and given that the module is offered/examined in that period.

There will be no special timetable arrangements for students who choose to carry failed modules into their second year of study.

4. Compensation

Compensation is not permitted for taught post-graduate programmes. [Ref.: DCU M&S 7.2.7.].