

**Dublin City University**  
**National Institute for Digital Learning**  
**Open Education**

**Programme Regulations 2015-2016**  
**MSc in Information Systems Strategy**

**Programme-specific rules and requirements<sup>1</sup>**

The final mark for the Masters award is a weighted average of the mark for the taught modules and that for the dissertation – 66.66% of the average module mark in the four taught modules (60 credits) and 33.33% of the mark awarded for the dissertation (30 credits). [M&S rule 8.1.3]

Each taught module (15 credits) is assessed on a continual assessment basis. Students submit three assignments each worth 33.33% of the final mark for the module. The three individual assignment marks are averaged to arrive at the final mark for the module.

**Derogations from Marks & Standards**

Marks and Standards apply

**Progression**

Modules can be taken in any order, so progression does not apply. While the normal order of modules is to take the dissertation module (OSC20) last, it is possible to take this module and complete outstanding taught modules at the same time.

**Compensation**

Compensation is not permitted for taught post-graduate programmes.

**Exit Awards**

There are three exit points on each programme: on successful completion of two specific modules, OSC1 and OSC2, equating to 30 credits (**Graduate Certificate**), on successful completion of the four taught modules equating to 60 credits (**Graduate Diploma**) and on successful completion of the dissertation in addition to the taught modules, equating to 90 credits (**Masters of Science**). Students will graduate with one award only, the highest level at which they elect to terminate their studies.

1 .As this is an online distance education programme, students require a high degree of specification on programme regulations and procedures (as they do not have access to many of the informal channels available to full-time on-campus students). Therefore, in common with all other Open Education programmes, the post-graduate students on this programme are provided with a detailed Course Handbook which contains the programme's regulations and detailed information pertaining to the programme.