



FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Programme Regulations 2019-2020¹

Programme Title:	BA in International Relations BA in International Relations (Exchange)
Programme Code	IR IRYA
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 <http://www.dcu.ie/registry/examinations/index.shtml>*

1. Programme Specific Rules and Requirements

1.1 Calculation for the Award Classification

Update, May 2020:

Please note that due to alternative arrangements put in place in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, it has been agreed that Year 2 2019-2020 marks will not be included in the degree award classification of final-year students in future years.

However, the Year 2 contribution will be included in the final-year award classification in 2019-2020 as normal and as outlined below²

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

<i>Year Contribution</i>	<i>Contribution to the award classification</i>
Year 2	15%

¹ Updated May 2020: see Section 1.1

² Approved by DCU Registrar / Vice-President for Academic Affairs, 27th March 2020.

1.2 *Entry Requirements for Languages Stream*

Students who wish to register for the Languages Stream must have achieved the following Leaving Certificate grade or equivalent in the language for which they wish to register.

Minimum of H4 in French if they wish to register for Intermediate French
Minimum of H4 in German if they wish to register for Intermediate German
Minimum of H4 in Spanish if they wish to register for Intermediate Spanish

2. **Derogations from Marks and Standards**

Marks and Standards apply.

3. **Progression**

3.1 *Credits for progression*

Students must successfully have completed a minimum of 60 credits in a study period in order to progress to the next study period.

3.2 *Carrying of modules*

Under exceptional circumstances³, and subject to the approval of the Progression and Award Board, students may be permitted to progress to the next year of study carrying up to **10 credits** where the following criteria are met:

- 3.2.1 Should constraints prevent a student's participation in the carried module, the Programme Chair may allocate an alternative module or restrict the student's choice of optional modules.
- 3.2.2 The student will not be permitted in any circumstances to carry more than **10 credits** into the following academic year, this may be 1 x 10 credit module or 2 x 5 credit modules.
- 3.2.3 In line with university regulations, a student will not be permitted to register for more than 75 credits in any one academic session / year.
- 3.2.4 Students applying for year abroad are not permitted to carry modules.
- 3.2.5 Module(s) that have already been carried forward, cannot be carried forward into a further academic year.

³ Where extenuating circumstances are to be taken into account, these must have been submitted by the student in line with normal procedure.

4. Compensation

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

<i>Module Code</i>	<i>Module Title</i>
LG218	Independent Study Project

5. Resit Categories

The resits offered for the autumn 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 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.

<i>Module Code</i>	<i>Module Title</i>
LG300	Year Abroad

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