



NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR DIGITAL LEARNING

OPEN EDUCATION UNIT

Programme Regulations 2016-2017

Programme Title: BSc in Information Technology

Programme Code IT

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 <http://www.dcu.ie/registry/examinations/index.shtml>, and the Course Handbook.*

1. Programme Specific Rules and Requirements

1.1 *Calculation for the Award Classification*

The Bachelor of Science in Information Technology degree will be awarded to a student who has successfully completed all modules at Level 1, all modules at Level 2 and six degree level modules. The six degree level modules students must successfully complete are the five mandatory modules of CA, MS00B, HSA, CTA and SDA and one of the elective modules MSA or CB. Students who have successfully completed both the MSA and CB modules prior to 2015/2016 must have successfully completed the modules CA, CB, MSA, MS00B, CTA and HSA to be eligible for award of the degree. In calculation of the award classification all modules are equally weighted. The classification of the award will be determined by the module marks obtained at the first attempt in the best five of the six degree level modules.

Students who received direct entry onto the degree level modules must successfully complete the relevant six degree level modules within four years of registration.

1.2 *Monitored Attendance*

Students undertaking each of the modules HSA, SDA and MS00B must attend a mandatory workshop as a requirement for completing each of these modules. Students

who do not attend the relevant workshop for each module will not be permitted to proceed with the module. Students will be notified in advance of registering for HSA, SDA and MS00B of this requirement.

2. Derogations from Marks and Standards

Marks and standards apply.

3. Progression

3.1 Credits for Progression

- *Level 1:* Any student who meets the entry requirements can enrol on any of the four Level 1 modules.
- *Level 2:* Admission to these modules will be subject to successful completion of, or exemption from where applicable, the corresponding module at the level below.
- *Degree Level:* Admission to these modules will be subject to successful completion of, or exemption from, the corresponding module at Level 2. In addition students must have successfully completed or received exemption from all Level 1 modules.

3.2 Exit Awards

Students entering under Springboard+ may exit the programme and be awarded a Certificate upon successful completion of the three requisite modules.

- Certificate in Software, Systems and Entrepreneurship (60 ECTS credits)
- Certificate in Computing and Communications Technology (45 ECTS credits)
- Certificate in Information Technology (45 ECTS credits)

Students may exit the programme with a Diploma after successful completion of the eight Level 1 and Level 2 modules which total 120 ECTS credits. The classification of the award will be determined by the module marks obtained at the first attempt in the four level 2 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.

HSA: Researching Interactions with Technology	Category 2
MS00B: Entrepreneurship and Emerging Technologies	Category 2
SDA: Mobile Application Development	Category 2

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.

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