



FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Programme Regulations 2018-2019

Programme Title: BA in Social Science and Cultural Innovation

Programme Code BSSCI

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

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	25%

1.2 Year Abroad

- 1.2.1 It will not be possible for any internal students to transfer to the BSSCI programme in Year 3 from another programme.

Application Regulations

- 1.3 The Year Abroad option is available after Year 2 only.
- 1.4 Where places are limited, applicants for the Year Abroad are ranked on the basis of academic performance, whereby a weighted combination of precision marks from Year 1 and Semester 1 of year 2 shall be used to determine choice ranking. In certain cases exceptional circumstances may be taken into account when allocating destinations.

- 1.5 Students should have passed (except for extenuating circumstances or postponement) all their Semester 1 modules in Year 2 with a minimum classification of second class honours grade 2 before they apply for Year Abroad in spring 2019.
- 1.6 Students must have passed all Year 2 modules before being allowed to register for Year Abroad. Students carrying modules into Year 3 are not permitted to register for Year Abroad.
- 1.7 Applications are processed by the Year Abroad coordinator and the International Office, and the Programme Board shall be guided by him/her in relation to the number of available places and the ranking of applicants. Decisions of the Programme Board are final and binding.

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 modules into the next academic session

Under exceptional documented circumstances¹, 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.
- 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 Module(s) that have already been carried forward, cannot be carried forward into a further academic year

4. Compensation

Compensation may apply, within the regulations specified in Marks and Standards, to all modules on the programme of study.

¹ Where extenuating circumstances are to be taken into account, these must have been submitted by the student in line with normal procedure.

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 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.

<i>Module Code</i>	<i>Module Title</i>
LC313	Year Abroad

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