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This process is to allow you to bring to the attention of your Programme Chair/ Progression and Award Board where you have experienced issues or problems (extenuating circumstances) that impact on your ability to complete assessment or attend examinations.

If you have a disability or learning difficulty you should register with the Disability & Learning Support Service (DLSS) at the beginning of Semester and these circumstances will be facilitated through ongoing supports and should not be included as extenuating circumstances.

This form should be completed and returned to the Student Awards Team in the Registry or the Open Education office (for Open Education Students only) in accordance with the dates on the form and the Academic Calendar, in order for your circumstances to be considered by the Programme Chairperson/Progression and Award Board. If your form is not submitted by this deadline, it may not be possible for the Progression and Award Board to consider your circumstances.

In submitting this form, you are applying for your module assessments as possibly being recorded as deferred or ill. All relevant sections must be completed legibly. You should provide personal details in Section A, details of the circumstances in Section B and details of the assessments affected in Section C.

It is essential that the form is accompanied by relevant supporting documentation to evidence your application. Failure to supply this will prevent your form from being considered. The nature of the documentation/evidence is detailed on the form.

All students have the right to appeal the decisions of a Progression and Award Board under specified grounds. However, if you have not submitted extenuating circumstances prior to the Progression and Award Board meeting, your appeal may be rejected unless the Appeals Board finds that there were valid reasons for non-submission.

Please note this process cannot be exercised by Postgraduate Research (PGR) Students.

**Important Information:** If a deferral is proposed or applied for, you are still liable for full fees.

**Your submission will be treated as strictly confidential.**

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| Submit To: | • Student Awards Team, Registry  
|           | • Open Education office (for Open Education Students only) |
| Deadlines: | • Semester 1 modules before 4.00pm on Thursday 24th January 2019  
|           | • Semester 2/year long modules before 4.00pm on Thursday 23rd May 2019  
|           | • Resits/Summer modules before 4.00pm on Tuesday 27th August 2019 (provisional) |

**NOTE:** Forms submitted after this date may not be considered at the relevant progression and award board meeting and may be subject to the appeals process.

All relevant sections of this form must be completed, legibly.

### Section A: Student Details

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### Section B: Details of Extenuating Circumstances

**Please tick the box below which best describes your extenuating circumstances:** The University requires that these circumstances are confirmed by the professional indicated in each case below. **Appropriate original supporting evidence must be attached to this form.** Supporting evidence is non-returnable.

- **Illness, injury, accident or hospitalisation**
  - Appropriate original supporting evidence must be supplied by a registered medical practitioner, health professional, registered counsellor/psychotherapist or psychologist

- **Family illness**
  - (specify relationship)
  - Appropriate original supporting evidence must be supplied by a registered medical practitioner or other health professional

- **Bereavement**
  - (specify relationship)
  - Appropriate supporting evidence must be supplied

- **Other personal or emotional circumstances**
  - Appropriate original supporting evidence must be supplied by a registered medical practitioner, health professional or Student Support professional

- **Victim of Crime**
  - Supporting evidence must be provided by a member of An Garda Síochána, or use the previous option if the crime has resulted in serious personal or emotional circumstances

- **Other, please specify**
  - __________________________
  - __________________________
  - Appropriate original supporting evidence must be supplied.
Period affected by the circumstances: From: To:

Please summarise briefly and concisely the rationale for your application. You may attach an additional sheet if necessary.

Section C: Details of Examinations/Assessments Affected
Please note that in the case of continuous assessment, the dates of the supporting documentation must be relevant to the submission date of the assessment.

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I confirm that the information given in this form is true and factually correct. I understand that this information may be disclosed, where absolutely necessary, to academic and administrative staff of the University directly involved. I confirm that I have attached the appropriate supporting documentation.

Student’s Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

(Once completed, please return the form with supporting documentation to the Student Awards Team in the Registry or the Open Education office (for Open Education Students only).)

Section D: Action by Programme Chair
To be completed by Programme Chair at Internal Review Meetings (PBERCs)

Action taken (please tick the relevant box):

- Recorded Ill
- Recorded Deferred
- Refer to PAB
- Considered but no change required
- Considered and rejected

Chairperson Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

(Programme Chairperson)

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