1. Guide for Extenuating Circumstances

In circumstances where students are completing assessment for Semester 2 remotely and do not have access to the DCU campus, the University has made modifications to the process for applying for consideration of extenuating circumstances. In particular, it has removed the need for supporting documentation from medical professionals and others, relying instead on student honour in making applications.

The University recognises that all its students face challenges completing alternative assessments in the present circumstances and has set out to take account of this in the setting of those alternative assignments and the arrangements for completion.

This modified extenuating circumstances procedure is intended to allow students to identify specific circumstances which have had a significant impact on their ability to complete assessment to the best of their ability and to allow you to bring these to the attention of your Programme Chair/Progression and Award Board.

This form can be completed in Word or PDF, you do not need to print or post this form. You must then email the form to the Student Awards Team in the Registry, contacts are listed on page 2 overleaf. Open Education students should email the form directly to connected@dcu.ie

This form should be completed not later than 4.00pm on **Tuesday 26th May 2020** 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. The recognition of extenuating circumstances does not normally result in the awarding of additional marks to your grade. You should provide personal details in Section A, details of the circumstances in Section B and details of the assessments affected in Section C.

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

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 when repeating a module in the next academic session.

Your submission will be treated as strictly confidential.

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2. Extenuating Circumstances Form

Submit To:

- Student Awards, Registry: Janetta.Meszarosova@dcu.ie
  DCU Business School
  DCU Institute of Education: Bernadette.Casserly@dcu.ie
- Faculty of Engineering & Computing
  Schools of Mechanical & Manufacturing/Electronic Eng.
  School of Computing: Cian.Conroy@dcu.ie
  Janetta.Meszarosova@dcu.ie
- Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences: Cian.Conroy@dcu.ie
- Faculty of Science & Health: Marion.Tucker@dcu.ie (except BSc Nursing)
  Bernadette.Casserly@dcu.ie (BSc Nursing)
- Open Education office (for Open Education Students only) connected@dcu.ie

Deadline:

- Semester 2/year long modules before 4.00pm on Tuesday 26th May 2020

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

Please complete all relevant sections of this form

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Section B: Details of Extenuating Circumstances

Please tick the box below which best describes your extenuating circumstances:

- Illness, injury, accident or hospitalisation
- Family illness (specify relationship)
- Bereavement (specify relationship)
- Other personal or emotional circumstances
- Victim of Crime
- Other, please specify

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Period affected by the circumstances:  

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Section C: Details of Examinations/Assessments Affected

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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.

Student’s Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Insert digital signature or send from student dcu email address

(Once completed, please email the form to the Student Awards Team in the Registry contacts on Page 2 OR Open Education office (for Open Education Students only) connected@dcu.ie

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