

DIFFERENTIAL VALIDATION REPORT

1.	Title of Programme:	BB (Hons) in Accounting					
2.	School / Centre:	Business					
3.	Duration:	2 year optional stream from the BB (Honours)					
4.	NFQ Level:	8					
5.	Type of Review:	New Programme:	Yes:		No:		
		Differential Validation:	Yes:	√	No:		
6.	Date of Review:	17-06-2016					
7.	Delivery Mode:	Full-time	√	Part-time		Blended	
8.	Panel Members:	Billy Bennett (chair) Gerry O Neill Hugh McBride Mr Peter Melinn Michael Hannon, Secretary / Registrar					
9.	Proposing Staff:	Deirdre Lusby Eamon Walsh Shane Moran Louise Langan Joe Farrell Shane Durkan Clare O'Grady Lorna Moynihan Richie Hoare Patricia McCann Caitlin NiGabhainn Ivan McPhilips Isabel Buchannin Monica Neilsen.					
10	Programme Rationale:	This newly articulated pathway, which we are not proposing to offer on the CAO, will be a Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Accounting. It will be a four year programme that combines the approved programme schedule from years 1 and 2 of the existing Bachelor of Business (Honours) and years 2 and 3 of the existing Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Accounting. This proposal will retain the existing pre-approved modules in both approved programmes and in effect will offer a concurrent four year programme. This concurrent four year programme will run (and share teaching with) Business years 1 and 2 and Accounting years 2 and 3. It is anticipated that students currently register on year 2 of the Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Accounting, subject to meeting the same requirements as are currently in place for a transfer of this nature.					

11.	Potential Demand for Entry:	10-15 students	
12.	Stakeholder Engagement:	As per BB Honours programme	
13.	Graduate Demand:	High	
14.	Entry Requirements:	As per BB Honours programme	
15.	Programme Structure:	As per BB Honours programme for stages 1 and 2. As per the BB (Hons) in Accounting stages 2 and 3 for stages 3 and 4.	
16.	Module syllabi:	As per programme document. All modules pre-approved as part of the programme validation process for the programmes referenced at No. 15 above.	
17.	LTA:	As per BB Honours programme	
18.	ATP:	As per the Institute's QAF for ATP	
19.	Resource Implications:	None	
20.	Synergies with existing programmes:	Synergies with the BB Honours programme and the BB (Hons) in Accounting programme	
21.	Findings and Recommendations:	Recommendations of the panel in relation to award sought:	
		The language of the PLOs might need to be reviewed. This may well have been a recommendation from the Programmatic Review that is not yet implemented.	
		Special conditions attaching to approval (if any):	
		None	
22.	FAO: Academic Council:		
		Approved:	√
		Approved subject to recommended changes:	
		Not approved at this time:	
	Signed:		
		Chair	Secretary