

Donegal Letterkenny

Report of the Panel of Assessors

Faculty/Department: Business - Law, Public Service and Education

Date: May 4 2022

Title of the Programme:

- Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Corporate Law Level 8 180 ECTS
- Certificate in Dispute Resolution and Disciplinary Investigations Level 7 10 ECTS

Chairperson: Mr Donnacha McNamara (TUS)

Members of the Panel:

Dr Karen Lynch Shally, Maynooth University Dr Sana Khan, Griffith College Cormac Hartnett, Hartnett Hayes Vini Vijayan, ATU **Secretary:** Dr Simon Stephens **LYIT Staff**: Siobhan Cullen, Cormac Conaghan, Brónagh Heverin, Daireen Laverty, Dr Deirdre McClay, Dermot McCole, Yvonne McGuinness, Dr Sharon McLaughlin, and Ivan Toner.

Criteria for the Approval of a New Programme

- 1. The Programme Aims and Objectives are clear and consistent with the Award sought.
- **2.** The Programme concept, implementation strategy are well informed and soundly based.
- 3. The Programme's Access, Transfer and Progression arrangements are satisfactory.
- 4. The Programme's written curriculum is well structured and fit for purpose.
- 5. There are sufficient qualified and capable programme staff.
- **6.** There are sufficient physical resources to implement the programme as planned.
- 7. The learning environment is consistent with the needs of the programme learners.
- 8. There are sound Teaching, Learning and Assessment Strategies.
- 9. Learners enrolled on the Programme will be well informed, guided and cared for.

Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Corporate Law - Level 8 180 ECTS

For the attention of the Academic Council

The programme is approved.

The Panel of Assessors advises the Academic Council that the ATU and the Faculty/Department should take cognisance of following:

Commendations

The panel commend the programme team for:

- 1. Their engagement with the panel.
- 2. Embedding the needs of their students throughout the programme.
- 3. The quality and presentation of the programme documentation.
- 4. Clear evidence of applied assessments and experiential learning methodologies.

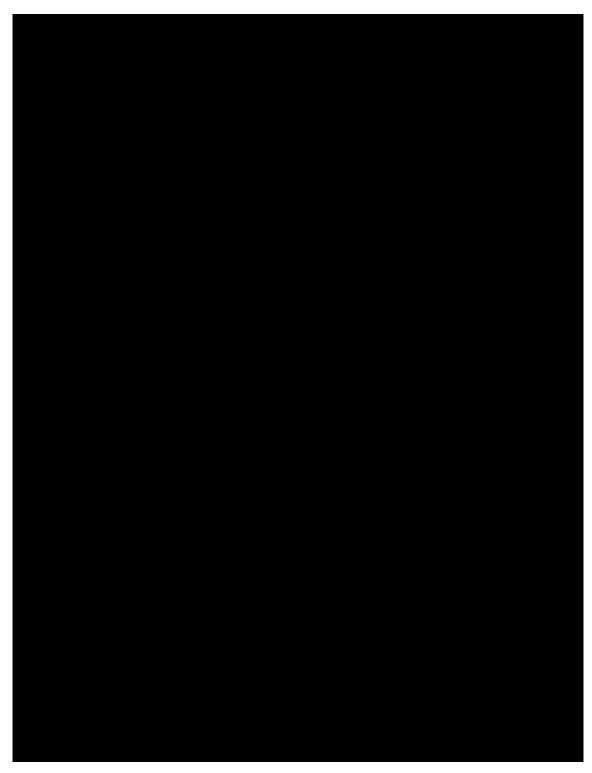
Recommendations

- In Year 1: Review the module content to reduce duplication and repetition, creating space for additional Corporate Law focused content across all modules.
 - Tutorials may be the appropriate vehicle for the inclusion of Corporate Law orientated content as this will not impact other programmes.
- In Year 2: Consider increasing the Privacy and Data Protection Law module to 10 ECTS to incorporate additional content on technology.
 - We would request that the Programme Team make the necessary ECTS adjustments to facilitate this change.
- In Year 3: Consider making the *Jurisprudence* module and the *Evidence* module electives to allow for the adjustment of other modules to include additional Corporate Law focused content in other modules.
- Significant revision and a thematic focus is required in the "*Contemporary Issues in Commercial Law*" module.
 - Key themes may include: cryptocurrencies, smart contracts, NFTs intellectual properties and others from the Level 9 offerings.
- That the Department and ATU Donegal consider the resource implications associated with this programme, Specifically, additional staff needs.
- Consider the CA and Exam split on the BESR module.
- Consider adding a 1 hour tutorial to complement 2 hour lecture in relevant modules (particularly in the final year).
- There is a need to address a range of minor typos.
- Please review reading lists to ensure the most up-to-date text is included.
- Review module learning outcomes to ensure descriptors are at Level 8.

• In all Years/semesters please review the module content to reduce duplication and repetition, creating space for additional Corporate Law focused content across all modules.

Conditions

N/A



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Recommendations

1. Provide flexibility that allows learners to complete assessment either face-to-face or online as necessary.





Revised Programme Schedule

4.2 Proposed Programme Schedule

Title of Award:	Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Corporate Law
Area of Specialisation:	Corporate Law
Learning Mode Offered:	Full-Time
Date Effective:	September 2022
Stage	Award

			ECTS			Тс	otal Contact Ho	ours		Allocation	Allocation of Marks %			
Semester	Module Title	Subject Status	Level	Level Number		Tutorial	Lab/Studio/ Practical	Independent Learning	Total	Coursework	Final Exam	Total		
			1	•	S	EMESTER	1			•		1		
	Introduction to Legal Research Skills and Methods		6	5	2	-	1	5	8	100	-	100		
1	ICT Skills	М	6	5	1	-	2	5	8	100	-	100		
1	Irish Legal System	M	6	10	5	1	-	12	18	100	-	100		
	Foundations of Law	M	6	5	3	1	-	5	8	100	-	100		
1	Constitutional Law 1	M	6	5	3	1	-	5	9	30	70	100		

	SEMESTER 2											
2	Contract Law	M	6	10	5	1	-	12	18	30	70	100
2	Constitutional Law 2	M	6	5	3	1	-	5	9	30	70	100
2	Criminal Law	M	6	10	5	1	-	12	18	30	70	100
2	Fundamentals of Privacy Law & ICT	M	6	5	3	-	-	5	8	100	-	100

	Module Title	Subject Status	ECTS			To	otal Contact Ho	Allocation of Marks %				
Semester			Level	Number	LectureTutorialLab/Studio/ PracticalIndependent Learning		Total	Coursework	Final Exam	Total		
					S	EMESTER	3					
3	Business Ethics and Social Responsibility	М	7	5	3	-	-	5	8	<mark>10</mark> 0		<mark>100</mark>
3	Jurisprudence	М	7	5	3	-	-	5	8	100	-	100
3	Land and Succession Law	M	7	10	5	1	-	12	18	30	70	100
3	Tort	M	8	10	5	-	-	13	18	30	70	100
			1		S	EMESTER	4		1			
4	Administrative Law	M	7	10	5	1	-	13	18	30	70	100
4	Company Law & Governance	M	7	10	5	-	-	13	18	30	70	100
4	Fundamentals of Banking Law	М	6	5	3	-	-	5	8	100	-	100
4	International Business and Trade Law	М	8	5	3	-	-	5	8	100	-	100

	SEMESTER 5												
5	European Union Law	M	8	10	5	-	-	13	18	50	50	100	
5	Fintech Law	М	8	5	1	2	-	5	8	30	70	100	
5	Insurance Law	М	8	5	3	-	-	5	8	100	-	100	
5	Alternative Dispute Resolution	E	8	10	3	2	-	13	18	100	-	100	
5	Financial Services Law and Regulation	E	8	10	5	-	-	13	18	100	-	100	

	Module Title		ECTS			Tot	tal Contact H	Allocation of Marks %					
Semester			Level	Number	Lecture	Tutorial	Lab/Studio/ Practical	Independent Learning	Total	Coursework	Final Exam	Total	
	SEMESTER 6												
6	Evidence	M	8	10	5	-	-	13	18	30	70	100	
6	Equity and Trust	M	8	10	5	-	-	13	18	30	70	100	
6	Contemporary Issues in Commercial Law	М	8	10	5		-	13	18	100	-	100	

Modules in blue refer to shared modules

New Programme Validation Report Approved by:

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Chair to Panel

(VP International Dean, Business and Humanities, TUS) (VP for Academic Affairs and Registrar, ATU Donegal)

Date **7**th **June 2022**

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