

CERTIFICATE OF VALIDATION

New validation Programme State: New

Provider Name	Dublin Business School
Date of Validation	15-Oct-20

	First Intake	Last Intake	Intakes pre annum
Enrolment Interval	01-Oct-20	30-Sep-25	2

	Code	Title	Award	Full Time Duration (months)	Part Time Duration (months)	Annual Intakes
Principal Programme	PG24322	Higher Diploma in Science in Aviation Finance	Higher Diploma in Science in Aviation Finance	12	18	2
Embedded Programme	N/A					

Principal Programme

5 Year Plan: Planned total enrolment i.e. aggregated across all intakes and all approved centres

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Minimum Intake into first year	5	5	5	5	5
Maximum Intake into first year	75	75	75	75	75

Target Learner groups

This programme is aimed at learners with a Level 8 honours bachelor's degree in a non-cognate area with a minimum pass classification, or learners with a Level 7 ordinary bachelor's degree in a cognate area who wish to progress to a Level 8 qualification (cognate areas include business, finance, engineering, computing, technology or science).

It is aimed at those who wish to specialise in the field of Aviation Finance with a view to entering the industry, or those who are working in Aviation Finance already and who require a qualification in the area in order to progress professionally.

Applicants who do not have a Level 8 qualification and who have at least 3 years' work experience may also be considered through the College's normal RPL procedures. Relevant professional experience may be taken into account and individuals will be assessed on a case-by-case basis through DBS RPL procedures.

Brief Synopsis of the programmes

Technological innovation applied to aviation finance has created a wave of disruptive activity that will change the shape of the global financial system over the next decade. This has created demand from graduates and employees for programmes specifically tailored to the skills required for an evolving financial environment.

This is an interdisciplinary programme that focuses on finance, data analytics and computing for Aviation Finance. It is designed to appeal to graduates seeking to enhance their career prospects in Aviation Finance. This is a 1 year full-time, 1.5 year part-time programme with six taught modules each of 10 ECTS which combined, leading to a Higher Diploma in Science in Aviation Finance (Level 8, 60 ECTS).



Dearbhú Cáilíochta agus Cáilíochta	Éireann			
Delivery mode: full-time / part-time	Full Time			
Teaching and Learning	1. Group Discussions			
Modes	2. Lectures / Classes			
	3. Tutorials			
	4. Webinars			
	5. Workshops			
Approved Countries	Ireland			
Physical resource	Lecture rooms with multimedia resources and suitable for work in breakout groups. Hardware	e and		
requirements	Software appropriate for the delivery of the programme are detailed in Section 8.			
Staff Profiles	Qualifications and Experience	WTE		
	Management Consultancy	1		
	Chartered Secretary	1		
	Management	1		

Management	1
Software Engineering; Programming with Persistent Data in C.	1
Business Analytics	1
Chartered Tax Advisor Professional Exams (AITI)	1
Data Governance and Cybersecurity - BA (Hons) in Financial Services	1
Advanced Financial Management - Accounting; Strategic Business Leader	1

Approved Centres	Centre		Maximum Number of learners per intake per Centre
	38628L Dublin Business School	5	75

Learner Teacher Ratios	Learning Activity	Ratio
	Lecture classroom-based sessions	1:150
	Workshops	1:50
	Practical Lab sessions	1:35
	Online class (live)	1:150
	Online tutorial (interactive)	1:25

Programme being replace	ed Prog Code	Programme Title	Validated	To Close
by this programme				
	N/A	N/A		



Conditions of Validation of the Programmes Covered by this Certificate of Validation

Part 1: Statutory Conditions of Validation

The statutory (section 45(3) of the 2012 Act) conditions of validation are that the provider of the programme shall:

- 1. Co-operate with and assist QQI in the performance of QQI's functions in so far as those functions relate to the functions of the provider,
- 2. Establish procedures which are fair and consistent for the assessment of enrolled learners to ensure the standards of knowledge, skill or competence determined by QQI under section 49 (1) are acquired, and where appropriate, demonstrated, by enrolled learners,
- 3. Continue to comply with section 65 of the 2012 Act in respect of arrangements for the protection of enrolled learners, if applicable, and
- 4. Provide to QQI such information as QQI may from time to time require for the purposes of the performance of its functions, including information in respect of completion rates.

Part 2 Conditions of Validation Established by QQI Under section 45(4)(b) of the 2012 Act)

Part 2.1 Condition of Validation Concerning a Change in the QQI Award or Award Standard

1. Where QQI changes an award title, an award specification or an award standard that a programme depends upon, the provider shall not enrol any further learners on the affected programmes unless informed otherwise in writing by QQI (e.g. by the issue of a revised certificate of validation). The programme is considered validated for learners already enrolled on the affected programme.

Part 2.2 Condition of Validation Concerning the Duration of Enrolment

1. The duration of enrolment is the interval during which learners may be enrolled on the validated programme.

Validation is determined by QQI for a specified number of years of enrolment appropriate to the particular programme as indicated on the certificate on validation subject to unit 9.2.1. It is a condition of validation that the programme does not enrol any new learners outside this interval. A typical duration would be five years.

If a provider wishes to continue to enrol learners to the programme beyond this interval the provider must arrange in good time for it to be validated again by QQI, or exceptionally the provider may apply for extension of the duration of enrolment (unit (14)). In this context the provider may apply for validation of the programme from first principles or, alternatively, the provider may avail of the process for revalidation (unit (13)) by QQI.

Part 2.3 General Condition of Validation

The provider of the programme shall:

- 1. Ensure that the programme as implemented does not differ in a material way from the programme as validated; differing in a material way is defined as differing in any aspect of the programme or its implementation that was material to QQI's validation criteria.
- 2. Ensure that the programme is provided with the appropriate staff and physical resources as validated.
- 3. Implement in respect of the programme its written quality assurance procedures (as approved by QQI).
- 4. Make no significant change to the programme without the prior approval of QQI. (See unit (8)).
- 5. Unless otherwise agreed by QQI in writting, start implementing the programme as validated and enrol learners within 18 months of validation.
- 6. Continue in respect of the validated programme to comply with section 56 of the 2012 Act in respect of procedures for access, transfer and progression.
- 7. Implement the programme and procedures for assessment of learners in accordance with the Approved Programme Schedule and notify QQI in writing of any amendments to this arising from changes to the programme; see unit (9).
- 8. When advertising and promoting the programme and awards, use the programme title as validated, and the correct QQI award title(s), award type(s) and award class(es) indicating the level of the award(s) on the National Framework of Qualifications.



- 9. Adhere to QQI regulations and procedures for certification.
- 10. Notify QQI in writing without delay of: a. Any material change to the programme; a. Anything that impacts on the integrity or reputation of the programme or the corresponding QQI awards; b. Anything that infringes the conditions of validation; or c. Anything that would be likely to cause QQI to consider reviewing the validation.
- 11. Notify QQI in writing to determine the implications for the provider's validated programmes, where the provider is likely to, or planning to, merge (amalgamate) with another entity or to acquire, or be acquired by, another entity (see unit (12.5)).
- 12. Report to QQI, when required or requested, on its implementation of the programme and compliance with the conditions of validation.

Part 2.4 General Condition of Validation Arising from Specialised Validation Policy and Criteria

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Part 2.5 Special Conditions of Validation