

CERTIFICATE OF VALIDATION

New validation

Validation Process: New

Provider Name	Dublin Business School
Date of Validation	04-Feb-21

	Code	Title	Award	Exit
Principal Programme	PG24444	Certificate in Data Analytics	Certificate (Special Purpose Award at NFQ Level 8) 8S21410 10 credits	N/A
Embedded Programme	N/A			

	First Intake	Last Intake
Enrolment Interval	01-Feb-21	31-Jan-24

Principal Programme

	Full Time	Part Time	Delivery Mode: full-time /	Full Time, Part Ti
Maximum Intakes per Annum:	3	3	part-time	
Minimum Learners per Intake:	5	5		
Maximum Learners per Intake:	50	50		
Duration (months)	3	3		

Target Learner Groups

The Data Analytics micro-credential programme is targeted towards learners who wish to gain essential knowledge of data analytics. The programme is aimed at learners who wish to gain knowledge and understanding of data analytics and are considering upskilling or reskilling in this area. It is anticipated that this programme may particularly appeal to individuals employed in non-computing related sectors who wish to develop their knowledge and skills in this area, or are considering a career in which foundational knowledge of data analytics would be useful.

Brief Synopsis of the Programmes

The Data Analytics (10 ECTS, Level 8) programme introduces learners to the fundamentals concepts of data analytics. Learners will identify Big Data problems and learn how to extract value from an organisation's internal data. They will explore open data sources and utilise current technologies, tools and methodologies in the development of data solutions. Learners will understand how to interpret and manage data sets - acquiring knowledge of the key elements in planning, managing, and executing individual data analysis undertakings - and develop skills in the effective management of a portfolio of data analytics projects. These skills and abilities are central to a career as a trainee Data Analyst or to commence study in Data Analytics or Financial Technology (FinTech). Through this programme, learners will acquire knowledge and understanding relating to data analytics and develop industry-aligned skills to support them in future career ambitions.



Teaching and Learning	1. Directed Learning
Modes	2. E-learning (directed)
	3. E-learning (self-directed)
	4. Group Discussions
	5. Group Discussions/Interactions
	6. Lectures / Classes
	7. Practical Sessions
	8. Practical/workshop/Laboratories/studio sessions
	9. Self Directed Learning
	10. Tutorials
	11. Tutorials/One on one supported learning
	12. Webinars
	13. Workshops

Physical Resource Requirements

There is no programme-specific technology required for the programme.

Staff Profiles	Qualifications and Experience	WTE
Course Director	The Course Director for this programme will have a minimum of a NFQ Level 9 Postgraduate Diploma or Masters qualification in Computing, Technology, ICT, IT, Data Analytics or a related field along with programme management/ academic leadership experience.	0.001
Lecturer	Staff delivering this module will hold a minimum of a Level 9 Postgraduate Diploma or Master's degree in Computing, Technology, ICT, IT, Data Analytics or a related field. Holders of Level 8 honours Bachelor's degrees in a relevant discipline, who are exceptionally qualified by virtue of significant senior industry experience, will also be considered.	0.1
Administration and Support	Library, Admissions, Student Experience, Finance etc. Experience and qualifications relevant to role.	0.64

Approved Centres		Minimum Number of Learners per Intake per Centre	Maximum Number of Learners per Intake per Centre
	38628L Dublin Business School	15	100

Additional Locations	Location Name	 Maximum Enrolment per Annum
	N/A	

Learner Teacher Ratios	Learning Activity	Ratio
	Classroom	1:150
	Synchronous Online	1:35
	On-Demand Asychronous	N/A
	Blended Learning (Multi-Modal)	1:150



Programme being replaced	Prog Code	Programme Title	Validated
by this Programme			
	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