ACCE
Summary of meeting of 17 December 2024

The Academic Council Committee on Examinations (ACCE) meeting was conducted in person and via the communications platform, Zoom. ACCE members were advised that the proceedings of the ACCE, including the online ACCE meetings, remain subject to the ACCE Standing Orders.

The meeting agenda and papers were available to each member of the ACCE one week in advance of the meeting.

The meeting is triaged to evaluate or identify, prioritize, and assign matters for discussion and decision at the main meeting. Specifically, Academic members of ACCE were issued with a Google form to complete with queries, questions, and points in relation to papers for the meeting. Three electronic responses were received.

Number of Attendees for Meeting One: 10

Number of Attendees for Meeting Two: 9

1. ACCE approved the Minutes and Summary Notes of the meeting of 17 November 2024.
2. ACCE approved a minor revision in Examination Regulations to address the use of smartwatches in Examination Centres.
3. ACCE approved minor revisions to guidelines regarding Aegrotat and Posthumous awards.
4. ACCE were informed that a review is underway to explore how to manage bulk Exceptional Changes to Grades.
5. ACCE noted the nomination and approval of Professor Paul Curran as Deputy Chair of ACCE.
6. ACCE was updated on the Exams on Campus Project.
7. ACCE discusses the use of Irish in Exam Papers.
8. ACCE noted the Declarations of Potential Conflicts of Interest.

9. ACCE noted the award of a research degree in the School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Systems.
10. ACCE noted the approval of an Examination Committee in the School of Physics.
11. ACCE discussed a request regarding supervisor participation in Cotutelle examinations.
12. ACCE approved the award of a research degree in the School of Biosystems and Food Engineering.
13. ACCE reviewed eThesis Doctoral and level 10 reports and approved awards of research degrees in the College of Arts and Humanities (*no. of candidates approved:* 1); College of Engineering and Architecture (*no. of candidates approved:* 6); College of Health and Agricultural Sciences *(no. of candidates approved: 5),* College of Science *(no. of candidates approved: 8)*; College of Social Sciences and Law *(no. of candidates approved: 6).*

14. ACCE reviewed eThesis Masters and level 9 reports and approved the award of research degrees in the College of Health and Agricultural Sciences (*no. of candidates approved: 1*); College of Social Sciences and Law (*no. of candidates approved: 1*).

15. ACCE reviewed and placed on hold the award of 2 research degrees in the College of Health and Agricultural Sciences.

16. ACCE approved the appointment of Intern Examiners, Taught Modules *(no. of Intern Examiners approved: 22).*

17. ACCE approved the appointment of Research Degree Examination Committees *(no. of Research Degree Examination Committees approved: 43)*.

18. ACCE noted the change of a Research Degree Examination Committee Chair.

19. ACCE approved 3 changes of a Research Degree Examination Committee Chair and Intern.

20. ACCE approved the appointment of Extern Examiners for Taught Programmes *(no. of Subject Extern Examiners approved: 12)*

21. ACCE approved the appointment of an NCAD Extern Examiner.

NOTE: This is an informal summary of an ACCE meeting. It does not in any way prejudice the official minutes of the meeting, which will be presented to the next ordinary meeting of the ACCE and which are the sole authoritative record of ACCE business.