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Dear Colleagues

RESPONSE TO THE DEFERRAL OF THE HEQSF-ALIGNMENT AND ACCREDITATION

HEQSF review comment

"The total number of compulsory credits far exceeds the accepted norm for an undergraduate programme, and would be inflated further by the students' selection of elective modules. The institution should clarify."

Response

The comments made above are fair and accurate. Since the national discussions have started late last year in terms of the future of Law qualifications nation-wide, the institution made a decision to review all current Law offerings. The first phase investigation by the Faculty yielded that a better aligned and more coherent curriculum is needed. Furthermore, due to institutional changes and contractual obligations as well as a better definition in terms of e-Learning, contact and distance variants, the qualifications need to be redeveloped and redesigned. An additional reason contributing to the decision for the phasing out of the Bachelor of Law in Financial Planning (both the distance and contact variant) is based on the huge overlap between the LLB and Bluris (Financial



Planning Law) qualifications. Therefore, it is requested that the following amendment is made to reflect the institutional decision:

Re-categorise the qualification *Bachelor of Laws (3300A) (H06/14453/HEQSF)* to C, to be phased out by the date to be determined by the Minister of Higher Education and Training. The UFs proposes a reach-out-date of 01 January 2018.

Thank you for your consideration and continued support in relation to the response on the comments made by the accreditation panel.

Kind regards



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