

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

**Reference should be made to the ‘Distance & E-Learning Policy’ when completing this form.**

**Change in the mode of delivery may result in a change in the fee structure. Please liaise with the Finance Office before proceeding with the submission of the relevant appendices.**

This form should be completed by academics planning to:

- a. convert an existing face-to-face study-unit or a blended study-unit to a fully online study-unit. This form should be submitted along with the revised study-unit description, if applicable. Revisited study-units are to be submitted in the format specified by APQRU.
- a. introduce a new study-unit that will be delivered fully online. This form must be submitted to APQRU along with the [Study-unit Approval Form](#).

This checklist is intended:

- to provide academics with a series of prompts and areas to consider when planning the development of an online study-unit.
- to provide the Programme Validation Committee and Distance & E-Learning Committee with details of areas to explore when considering proposals for online study-units.

**1. Identify the study-unit and its ECTS value.**

**2. Indicate an estimate number of students that will be enrolled on the study-unit.**

**3. What is the pedagogical rationale for delivering the study-unit online?**

**4. What model/s for online content are being proposed in the study-unit?**

*Explain how the learning technologies will be utilised to deliver the learning resources within the programme.*

**5. What model/s for communication and collaboration are being proposed in the study-unit?**

*Explain how the learning technologies will be utilised to support communication and collaboration during the programme.*

**6. What model/s of formative and summative assessment are being proposed in the study-unit?**

*Explain how the formative and summative assessment will be delivered during the study-unit. Outline the processes that will be implemented for providing feedback to students.*

**For new study-units only:**

**For existing study-unit (if applicable)**

**Current Method of Assessment:**

**New Method of Assessment:**

**7. What digital literacies, technical skills and technology infrastructure (hardware, software, Internet connectivity) should the students have to engage fully with the study-unit?**

**8. Will the study-unit make use of learning technologies beyond the centrally supported technologies (by UM IT Services)?**

*All distance learning study-units are required to make use of the UM VLE. If the study-unit requires the use of learning technologies that are not supported by the University, provide full details of how these will be supported and how technical issues will be mitigated.*

**9. Do licensing arrangements exist which will enable distance learning students to utilise all of the proposed learning technologies?**

*Ensure appropriate licenses in place for all software, content and tools used in the study-unit.*

**10. Provide details about the online teaching and/or learning experiences of the lecturer delivering the online topics/modules.**

*Has the lecturer taught online in the past? Has the lecturer followed any online courses in the past? Include UM VLE screen shots of existing study-unit/s delivered by the lecturer that are supported by the UM VLE.*

**11. Provide details about professional development courses/workshops that the lecturer has undertaken related to online teaching and learning. Does the lecturer require any training/support in the design and delivery of online learning?**

**12. Provide details of additional lecturers and/or support staff engaged for F2F and blended components.**

**Name of Proposer**

**Date of Submission**