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2. As we are now holding four boards of examiner meetings each year students will receive ratified results following each session. Previously regulations made note of provisional results.
3. Added a note to confirm that where a student repeats a module they are required to respond to the new assessment brief and that assessment briefs are updated each session.
4. Clarification at 2.5 that the Capstone Project is taught over two consecutive 10 week sessions.

## 1 Structure of the programme s

[Appendix B](#) gives the syllabuses and course outlines.

### Qualifications

#### 1.1

The following named qualifications are awarded under the Professional Accountancy programme:

- x Master of Science (MSc) in Professional Accountancy

### Qualification structure

#### 1.2

The MSc Professional Accountancy



## 4 Assessment for the programme

### Summary table of assessment

#### 4.1

Module	15 credit elective modules	Capstone Project	
Element weighting	100%	30%	70%
Item of assessment	One unseen written end of term coursework	Research Proposal	Final Project, including Icarus reflection

### Passing assessments

#### 4.2

The pass mark for each module is 50%. Where there is more than one element of assessment for a module, you do not need to pass each element of assessment, although you do need to obtain an overall weighted mark of 50% in each module.

### Invalid attempts

#### 4.3

For a module with one element of assessment, if you do not submit the final assessment, this will not count as an attempt at the module and there will be no academic penalty.

#### 4.4

For the Capstone Project, if you do not submit the Research Proposal your attempt at the module will not be valid and you will not be permitted to submit the final assessment. This will not count as an attempt at the module and there will be no academic penalty. If you do not submit the Final Project but have submitted the Research Proposal your attempt is valid.

#### 4.5

If you have not made a valid attempt at the module (see regulations 4.3 and 4.4), you will need to re-register and make a new attempt at the module. You will be required to pay the full module fee. If there are two elements of assessment, all assessment elements will need to be attempted.

See [General Regulations](#) for Rules for taking written assessments

### Mitigating circumstances

#### 4.6

For the Capstone Project, mitigating circumstances will be accepted for either element of assessment.

### Penalty for exceeding the word count of coursework elements

#### 4.7

For coursework elements, you should not exceed the word limit by more than 10%. If the word count is between 10% to 20% above the word limit, the coursework will receive a five mark penalty. If the word count exceeds 20% above the word limit, the coursework will receive a ten mark penalty.





## 6 Progression within the programme

See [Section 4: Assessment for the programme](#) for method of assessment.

Maximum and minimum number of modules you can study in a study session

### 6.1

You must register for at least one 15 credit elective module in your first study session. Otherwise you

7.5

To be granted the qualification with Distinction, your mean average mark for the 15 credit modules (2 modules in total) must be 70% or above and your mark for the Capstone Project must be 70% or above.

Date of award

7.6

The date of award will correspond to the year that the requirements for the award were satisfied.





- x Mitigating risk

### Issues in Investment Management (IIM) [AFM090]

This module seeks to an understanding of the nature and purposes of, and issues within investment decisions in a range of investment opportunities. In so doing to articulates and illustrates applied principles of investments in stocks/shares, bonds, mutual funds, and other securities, within an investment portfolio. It further sets out to provide a practical familiarity with issues in investment in derivatives, and in real estate.

Topics covered:

- x The investment arena
- x Portfolio theory and market efficiency
- x Behavioural insights and associated issues
- x Investing in and managing fixed income securities
- x Investing in and managing ordinary (common) equities
- x Practical issues in portfolio development
- x Measurement and managing risk
- x Frameworks for derivatives
- x Frameworks for alternative investments - real estate, private equity, hedge funds & commodities

### Capital Markets and Global Perspective s (CMGP) [AFM100]

This module aims to provide students with a sound understanding of the purposes, nature and operation of global capital markets. It seeks to identify who uses them, and why, and how. Within that it illustrates the dynamics of the interactions of actions as capital is exchanged using financial

### Capstone Project [AFM500]

The module aims to provide an opportunity to demonstrate independent academic research skills and apply them in real world and simulated professional contexts, which will include the requirement to present an analysis of and potential solutions and recommendations to an accounting/finance/strategic management related organisational issue in a format suitable for a finance professional.

#### Topics covered:

- x Purpose(s) and nature(s) of research and research philosophy
- x The critical literature review
- x Research design and business plan design
- x Data collection
- x Qualitative and quantitative research techniques
- x Business planning and financial forecasting
- x Business landscape analyses techniques



