

INITIAL PROPOSAL FOR PROGRAMME VALIDATION

To be prepared by the Programme Director and forwarded to the Director of Affiliated Programmes for consideration by the Affiliated Programmes Board and the Faculty of Theology, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.

Part 1 Programme details
Name of Proposing Organisation:
Proposed Course Title
Opening Academic Year under Consideration:
Programme Director
Contact Details (Email/Phone Number) of Director identified above
Location (Address) of the Programme
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Part 2 Background

Please write a brief background to the proposed partnership – whether It involves the validation of a new programme or franchising of an existing programme – and a short history of the relationship, if any, between the potential partner and St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.		

Part 2a Foreign Organisations

If the partner organisation is located outside of Ireland please provide an outline of the context and rationale in which the potential partner is seeking the partnership — whether there is some national, cultural or ecclesial significance or part of the development of international links? Is the proposed partnership in line with this philosophy? Is there some reason why the programme cannot achieve recognition in the home country? Does the potential partner organisation have experience in working with other institutions? If so, provide a brief description of the nature of such experience.

Part 3 The Structure of the Proposing Partner

Provide a brief account of the size and staffing of the proposing organisation. Name the resources available, such as class-spaces, secretarial back-up, library facilities and so on, in order for the partnership to succeed and the programme to flourish. If it is an academic institution, outline the details on the numbers of registered students, and explain the experience and expertise relevant to the specific field of learning.
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Part 4 Proposed Programme
Provide a description of the proposed structure of the Programme. How long is the proposed programme? How many contact hours are envisaged? Outline the proposed module topics, with a short description of what they may contain. Name the modes of assessment. Provide a list of the proposed module delivers. How many students are envisaged?

Part 5 Initial Review

Comment Initial Comment on the proposed arrangements to be recorded by the Director of Affiliated Programmes. How was the initial contact made? Are there further issues of note? What are the potential benefits of partnership? What are the potential risks?		
Part 6 Affiliated Programmes Board Consideration		
Actions Required	Actions Taken	
Signature		
Director of Affiliated Programmes	Date	
Date Received by the Affiliated Programmes	s Board:	