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Including Legislation, Quality Assurance Guidelines and QQI Award Standards and IHEQN Documents.

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A) Legislation:

1. Technological Universities Act 2018
2. Qualifications and Quality Assurance (Education and Training) Act 2012
3. Qualifications and Quality Assurance (Education and Training) (Amendment Act) 2019
4. Institutes of Technology Acts 2006
5. Safety, Health & Welfare at Work Act 2005
6. Equality Act 2004
7. Equal Status Act 2000
8. Equal Status Act 2004
9. Equal Status (Amendment) Act 2012
10. Equality (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2015
11. Data Protection Act 1988 – 2018
12. Data Protection (Amendment) Act 2003
13. Student Support Act 2011
14. Freedom of Information Act 2014
15. Disability Act 2005
16. United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
17. General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679
18. Child First Act 2015

B) Statutory Quality Assurance Guidelines

European (European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education: ENQA)

1. ENQA Standards & Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG) May 2015

2. European Approach for Quality Assurance of Joint Programmes. European Higher Education Area
3. Guidelines for Good Practice for Awarding Joint Degree. European Consortium for Accreditation

C) National (Quality and Qualifications Ireland: QQI)

1. QQI Policy on Quality Assurance Guidelines 2016
2. QQI Core Statutory Quality Assurance Guidelines 2016
3. QQI Sector Statutory Quality Assurance Guidelines developed by QQI for Institutes of Technology (other than DIT) 2016
4. QQI Procedures and Criteria Relating to Delegation of Authority 2016
5. QQI Policy and Criteria for Making Awards
6. QQI Policy Restatement Policy and Criteria for Access, Transfer and Progression in Relation to Learners for Providers of Further and Higher Education and Training 2015
7. QQI Code of Practice for Provision of Programmes of Education and Training to International Learners 2015
8. QQI Policies and criteria for the validation of programmes of education and training 2017
9. Policy and Criteria for Recognising Professional Awards within the National Framework of Qualifications
10. QQI Assessment and Standards, Revised 2013
11. Effective Practice Guidelines for External Examining Revised February 2015
12. Policy for Collaborative Programmes, Transnational Programmes and Joint Awards Revised 2012
13. QQI Topic Specific Statutory Quality Assurance Guidelines developed by QQI for Providers of Research Degree Programmes
14. Research Degree Programme Policy and Criteria
15. QQI Policy on Monitoring 2014
16. QQI Topic Specific Statutory Quality Assurance Guidelines Developed by QQI For Providers of Statutory Apprenticeship Programmes.
17. QQI Topic Specific Statutory Quality Assurance Guidelines for Providers of Blended Learning Programmes
18. THEQF. The Technological Higher Education Quality Framework (THEQF)

C) National Framework of Qualifications

1. National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ)
2. Understanding the National Framework of Qualifications (QQI)

D) QQI Award Standards (adopted by TUS: Midlands Midwest)

1. QQI Policy for Determining Award Standards 2014
2. QQI Award Standards – Generic Higher Education and Training
3. QQI Award Standards - Accountancy (July 2014)
4. QQI Award Standards – Architecture (July 2014)
5. QQI Award Standards - Architectural Technology 2016
6. QQI Award Standards - Art & Design (July 2014)
7. QQI Award Standards – Business (July 2014)
8. QQI Award Standards - Computing (July 2014)
9. QQI Award Standards – Counselling and Physiotherapy (May 2014)
10. QQI Award Standards - Engineering (July 2014)
11. QQI Award Standards – English Language (November 2018)
12. QQI Award Standards – For Pre-higher Education Foundation Awards for International Students (December 2015)
13. QQI Award Standards – Award Standards - Nursing and Midwifery (July 2014)
14. QQI Award Standards – Professional Master of Education (PME) Award (May 2014)
15. QQI Award Standards - for Honours Bachelor of Laws and Master of Laws (July 2014)
16. QQI Award Standards - Science (July 2014)
17. QQI Award Standards - Social Care Work (July 2014)

E) Irish Higher Education Quality Network (IHEQN Documents)

1. Common Principles for Follow-through on Quality Improvements identified through Quality Reviews

2. Common Principles for Student Involvement in Quality Assurance/Quality Enhancement
3. Provision of Education to International Students: Code of Practice and Guidelines for Irish Higher Education Institutions
4. Principles of Good Practice in Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement for Higher Education and Training
5. Principles for Reviewing the Effectiveness of Quality Assurance Procedures in Irish Higher Education and Training
6. Guidelines for the Approval, Monitoring and Review of Collaborative and Transnational Provision