



SOUTH EAST TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

COURSE EVALUATION 2

ASSESSORS' REPORT TO ACADEMIC COUNCIL

COURSE EVALUATED: Certificate in Applied Sport Psychology
[Level 7, 10 Credits, Minor Award *linked to* Bachelor of
Science (H) in Sports Coaching and Performance]

SCHOOL: Health Sciences

DEPARTMENT: Sport and Exercise Science

1. INTRODUCTION

The following is a review report to Academic Council from the panel of assessors on the proposal from the School of Health Sciences at South East Technological University to develop a Certificate in Applied Sport Psychology (Level 7, 10 Credits, Minor Award *linked to* Bachelor of Science (H) in Sports Coaching and Performance). In accordance with the regulations governing the evaluation of new programme proposals, as set out in the South East Technological University (Waterford) *Programme Quality Assurance Enhancement Policy and Procedures*, the programme proposal was reviewed by a panel of assessors.

The panel of assessors who contributed to this report were:

- Ciaran Lynch, Former Development Manager, Limerick Institute of Technology (Chair)
- Dr Cara Daly, Academic Council Representative, South East Technological University
- Dr Patricia Jackman, Associate Professor of Sport and Exercise Psychology, University of Lincoln
- Roisín MacCarthy, Project Executive and National Anti-Doping Officer, Triathlon Ireland
- Dr Colette Moloney, Assistant Registrar, South East Technological University

In accordance with the regulations set out in the aforementioned *Programme Quality Assurance Enhancement Policy and Procedures*, a review meeting took place on 7 December 2022. The review meeting was conducted virtually via Teams. In the course of the meeting, the panel of assessors met with the programme development team. The following members of the South East Technological University team were present:

- Prof. John Wells, Head of School of Health Sciences
- Prof. Michael Harrison, Head of Department of Sport and Exercise Science
- Dr Ciara Losty, Lecturer, Department of Sport and Exercise Science
- Kevin McManaman, Lecturer, Department of Sport and Exercise Science

The assessors wish to thank the members of the development team for engaging generously and openly with the review process.

2. SUMMARY RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS

2.1 General Remarks

The panel commends the School on proposing a programme to meet the training needs of a diverse audience in the area of Sport Psychology. The panel **recommends approval of the Certificate in Applied Sport Psychology (Level 7, 10 Credits, Minor Award linked to Bachelor of Science (H) in Sports Coaching and Performance)** until the next School Review in the School of Health Sciences. **Approval is conditional on the submission of a revised programme document that takes account of the conditions and recommendations outlined below; and the submission of a summary document describing the responses and actions of the School to address the conditions and recommendations made by the review panel.**

Areas for attention have been emboldened in the text for convenience of reference. Action is required on items marked ‘Conditions’ and such action is mandatory if the programme is to be approved; action is highly recommended on items marked ‘Recommendations’.

2.2 Conditions

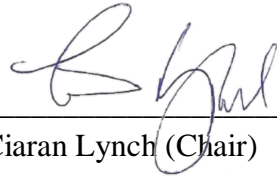
- **The School should review the programme entry requirements to clarify the type and nature of the Level 6 award required for entry.**
- **The mapping of the programme learning outcomes to the SETU Award Standards should be reviewed to ensure that it is the programme learning outcomes which are mapped.**

2.3 Recommendations

- **In discussion with the panel, the team described an extensive student support system. The programme proposal should be revised to articulate the student support system proposed and to detail any bridging studies, or academic writing, referencing or computer skills support being offered to students.**
- **The reading lists on modules should be reviewed at the next opportunity to ensure that the core texts proposed are included in the Essential Reading lists.**

- **The School should consider how the psychology of parenting and sport could be integrated into existing module content now, and how the area could be included as a specific topic at the next module review.**

Signed:



Ciaran Lynch (Chair)

Date:

06/01/2023

Approved by

Academic Council: _____