

Quality and Digital Learning: Considerations and Tensions



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The benefits beyond peer review

Considerations for reflecting on digital learning at programme level

The tensions in reflecting on impact



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The Value of Self-Assessment

DCU Digital Learning Review, 2020

- Provoking reflection, promoting discussion
- Building trust, unearthing practice
- Reflecting on the current status, positioning for the future
- Shared Understanding



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From institutional-level to programme level

Less Time

Less Autonomy

Fewer Resources

BUT

Engaging Staff

Engaging Students

Context Specific

The “RUFDATA” approach

RUFDATA Category	Digital Learning at Programme Level
Reasons/ Purpose	To demonstrate impact of digital approaches on the student experience
How will outcomes be Used	To inform future decisions, to build pedagogic practice
Evaluation Foci	Explore Practice; Examine impact; Identify and understand silos
Data/ Evidence Gathered	Both the numbers and the narrative
Audiences- of the output AND process	Broad- and context specific
Timing of an evaluation	A formative, and feed-forward process, rather than “Big Bang”
Agency- people conducting the review	Primary stakeholders, varied voices

Tensions in Reflecting on Quality of Digital Learning in Programmes

Impact of practice by design vs practice by necessity

Technological vs pedagogic drivers for digital learning

Practitioner autonomy vs institutional alignment

Digital enthusiasts vs non-enthusiasts

