

The Impact of the Leaving Certificate Established 2020 Calculated Grades Process on Teachers' Assessment Practices and their Identity as Assessors

Plain Language Statement

What is this survey about?

This survey is designed to capture post primary teachers' reflections on their experiences of estimating marks/ranks for their students as part of the LC2020 Calculated Grades process in schools. The survey also focuses on teachers' reflections on the role they play in assessment.

Who are the people conducting the research?

The research is being conducted at Dublin City University by Dr. Audrey Doyle and Dr. Zita Lysaght from the Institute of Education and by Prof. Michael O'Leary, Director of the Centre for Assessment Research, Policy and Practice in Education (CARPE). Please contact Audrey.doyle@dcu.ie if you need further information about the study.

What does participation in the study involve?

Participation in this study involves responding online to a set of mainly multiple choice type questions and should take no more than 40 minutes to complete. Participation is voluntary and does not involve any risk to participants.

Benefits of participation

Should you decide to participate in this research study, you will have an opportunity to contribute to a better understanding of teachers' experiences with the calculated grades process in 2020 and the role they play in assessment at Senior Cycle more generally.

How will my data be stored?

Your data will be stored securely using passwords for the survey software and will not be accessed by anyone outside of the research team (subject to legal limitations). Your data will be anonymised and protected in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) – 2016/679 and will be stored for 5 years after completion of the research in accordance with the Data Protection Act, 1998. Any individual wishing to exercise their Data Subject Rights should contact the DCU Data Protection Officer at data.protection@dcu.ie.

How will my data be used?

Your data will be anonymised and, in aggregate with data from other study participants, used in the writing of academic papers for publication in scientific journals and for presentations at academic conferences.

Independent contact

If you wish to liaise with an independent person about this study, please contact: The Secretary, Dublin City University Research Ethics Committee, Dublin 9 or email rec@dcu.ie