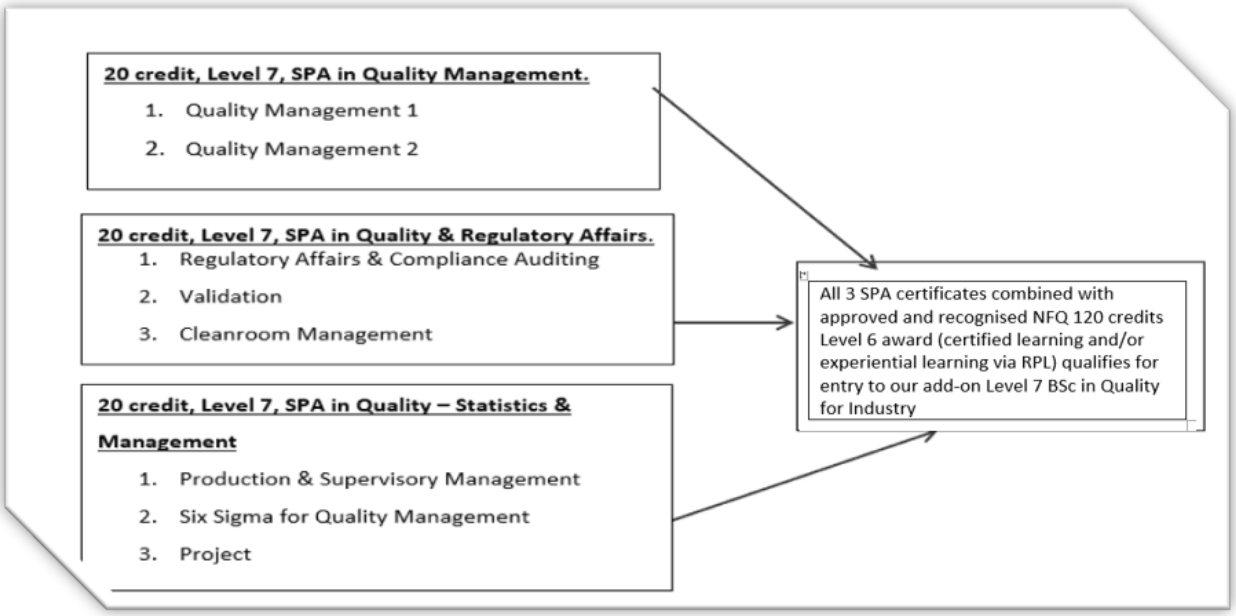
**Bachelor of Science in Quality for Industry (add-on Level 7) – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**




**How do I apply for the add-on Level 7 BSc in Quality for Industry?**
The add-on Level 7 BSc in Quality for Industry is made up of 8 modules. Some of these modules are combined to form a special purpose award/certificate.

There are three options for the application process:
(a) You can apply for a single module(s) only
(b) You can apply for a Special Purpose Award/Certificate (which consists of two or three modules)
(c) You can apply for the full add-on BSc in Quality (which consists of all 8 modules) if you have 120 credits of an approved and recognised NFQ Level 6 in Business, Engineering or Science or equivalent.

For all above application options, log on to https://apply.gmit.ie and then select application type Q7 from the drop-down box in the Application Menu.

**What is the best application option to take?**
It depends on your plans and commitments. Some people are happy to take a module or two – it suits their work plans. Others want to complete the full programme.

**When does this programme start?**
The programme/modules start in mid-September. Semester one modules start in mid-September and semester two modules starting in mid-January. Registration for all modules regardless of their start date is in September.

**For applicants who wish to apply for the full add-on BSc in Quality for Industry that don't have a Level 6 Higher Certificate; can I still apply?**
Yes- If you want to apply for the BSc in Quality for Industry and if you don't hold a full Level 6 Higher Certificate and you have significant experience in industry, you can support your application to this programme with Recognition of Prior Learning documentation. If you wish to take this route, contact learn@gmit.ie for the Quality RPL information pack.

**What is Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)?**
Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) is a system whereby learning acquired through work experience and/or through previous certified programmes can be acknowledged as a basis for entry to these SPAs. You can complete this RPL documentation as part of your application for these modules/progammes. For those interested in applying direct for the BSc in Quality, we have a guidance document to support your application.

**What modules are covered in the BSc in Quality for Industry and when are they on?**

| **Level 7 BSc in Quality for Industry** | | |
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| SPA/Certificate in Science in Quality Management | | |
| MGMT07045 | QUALITY MANAGEMENT I | YL Tuesday 6.30-9.30pm |
| MGMT07043 | QUALITY MANAGEMENT II | YL Tuesday 6.30-9.30pm |
| SPA/Certificate in Science in Quality and Regulatory Affairs | | |
| SCIE07008 | CLEAN ROOM MANAGEMENT | S2 Weds 6:30-9:30pm |
| SCIE07009 | REGULATORY AFFAIRS AND COMPLIANCE AUDITING | YL Monday 6.30-9.30pm |
| SCIE07010 | VALIDATION | S1 Weds 6.30-9.30pm |
| SPA/Certificate in Science in Quality Statistics and Management | | |
| MGMT07049 | PRODUCTION AND SUPERVISORY MANAGEMENT | S1 Thurs 6.30-9.30pm |
| MANU07008 | SIX SIGMA FOR QUALITY MANAGEMENT | S2 Thurs 6.30-9.30pm |
| MANU07018 | PROJECT LEVEL 7 | S2 mainly-as required |

Key: **YL** is yearlong, **S1** is semester one, **S2** is semester two.

**How are these modules delivered?**
The modules are delivered using blended approaches, this means that lecturers employ flexible multi-mode delivery approaches on the days/times listed above. Delivery approaches include a combination of face to face as well as online experiences that align and accommodate the context and topic under instruction.

**Do I need to buy any software/technology for this programme?**
GMIT provides all students with Microsoft Office which hosts Outlook for email and TEAMs for any online interactions. All students will be able to avail of GMIT IT induction to get you orientated with these applications. While it would be ideal for you to have access to a computer/laptop, GMIT library computers are available for all students of GMIT to use during opening hours.

**Do I apply for all of these modules at the same time?**
No, you can't apply for all modules at the same time. You will be asked to select the modules you want to take each academic year.

There are a few restrictions that have been put in place to facilitate your gradual learning and buildup of knowledge in some key areas. So here is the required learning for certain modules as follows:

- ✓ Quality Management I must be completed before Quality Management II
- ✓ An awareness of statistics, such as that which is gained in Quality Management I, is required before completing Six Sigma for Quality Management
- ✓ Experience of conducting projects, such as that gained in Quality Management I, must be completed before Project module.

**How long does it take to complete all modules on this programme?**
Most students opt to complete the entire programme over three years, which typically involves two evening classes a week; however you can take longer than this if your schedule would prefer a lesser weekly load. While most students take three years to complete the programme, we also have a few who take the two-year option. Remember that whatever you select, you will need to plan for equal study time beyond the delivery time for continuous assessment and study time.

**Three-year suggested pathway**

Year 1: Quality Management I, Production and Supervisory Management, Clean Room Management
Year 2: Quality Management II, Regulatory Affairs and Compliance Auditing
Year 3: Six Sigma, Validation, Project

**How much does each module cost?**
The cost of each module is listed below:

| Special Purpose Award | Module | Delivery | No of Credits | Module Cost |
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| **Certificate in Quality** | Quality Management I | YL | 10 Credits | €800 |
| | Quality Management II | YL | 10 Credits | €800 |
| **Certificate in Quality and Regulatory Affairs:** | Regulatory Affairs & Compliance Auditing | YL | 10 Credits | €800 |
| | Validation | S1 | 5 Credits | €400 |
| | Clean Room Management | S2 | 5 Credits | €400 |
| **Certificate in Quality Statistics and Management:** | Production & Supervisory Management | S1 | 5 Credits | €400 |
| | Six Sigma for Quality Management | S2 | 5 Credits | €400 |
| | Project | S2 | 10 Credits | €800 |

**Note: YL are yearlong modules and costs €800 while semester only (S1 or S2) modules cost €400.**

**Can I pay for the modules in instalments?**
Ideally, applicants who have been accepted on to a course, would pay for their course when they register; however, instalment plans can be put in place, on request to gspdfees@gmit.ie. If your employer is paying your fee, or a portion of your fee, you can request an invoice from gspdfees@gmit.ie.

**When can I apply for modules?**
Online application opens in February. The closing date for applications is 31st August. Early application is advisable as this is a very popular programme and class sizes are limited and fill very quickly.

**Who do I contact if I have any more questions?**

For queries on the course itself, please contact Scienceoffice@gmit.ie.

Learn@gmit.ie is your contact point for queries on making an application.