



CAP 1 Feedback Report

Issue	Feedback
<p>A number of students felt that there were an unnecessary number of Law and Tax lectures, given that these subjects represent half a module each.</p>	<p>CASSI and CAI recognise that there is a volume of material to be covered in both tax and law, despite these subjects only representing a half paper for the purposes of CAP1. This material forms an important part of the CAP1 course and CAI does not envision changing this in the near future.</p>
<p>Some students felt more question focused lectures, looking at a step-by-step approach to exam-style question would be beneficial, especially for Tax.</p>	<p>CAI has taken this on board and will discuss with lecturers. CAI understand that Tax can be complex and is new to most students, as is the majority of the CAP1 material.</p>
<p>A number of students noted that the Tax book for NI was not as substantial as ROI.</p>	<p>CAI noted that they are currently working on aligning both books. CASSI note that the NI covered all areas of the competency statement.</p>
<p>A number of students noted that they were sitting their DEBK exam in a room where driving theory tests were being held concurrently and this resulted in disruptions as people entered and left the venue (exam location not detailed in these student responses).</p>	<p>CASSI and CAI discussed this and concluded that this manner of testing allows students flexibility in the scheduling and location of the exam, immediate access to their result and an opportunity to re-sit the exam if necessary. It is felt that while the venue may not be ideal, the advantages largely outweigh the disadvantages.</p>
<p>Students noted that they were inconvenienced by the change of venue in Belfast so close to the exams. Some students noted that they were not satisfied with the communication from CAI in respect of this venue change.</p>	<p>CAI noted that a significant number of students had selected their work e-mail address to receive CAI notifications, they did not receive the notice due to being out of the office. However, CASSI recognises that students have the option to select their contact e-mail address for CAI and it is suggested that students use their personal e-mail address during study leave to avoid such a situation. CAI will bring this to students attention during the mock exams going forward and will also look into other ways of communicating exam relevant information.</p>