BYE-LAWS OF 2005 IN TERMS OF THE
GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS, 2004

IN exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 30(5) and 31(6) of the Education Act (Cap. 327), the Chancellor of the University of Malta has promulgated the following bye-laws made by the Board of the Faculty of Laws in virtue of the powers conferred upon it by section 37 (1) of the said Act and which have been approved by the Senate of the University of Malta as required by section 37 (2) of the said Act:

CITATION AND INTERPRETATION

1. (1) These bye-laws may be cited as the Bye-Laws of 2005 in terms of the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004 for the degree of Bachelor of Laws - LL.B. - and the Diploma of Legal Procurator - Dip. L.P. - under the auspices of the Faculty of Laws.

(2) In these bye-laws, unless the context otherwise requires –

"the Board" means the Board of the Faculty of Laws;

"the Course" means the programme of studies leading to the degree of Bachelor of Laws - LL.B. - and to the Diploma of Legal Procurator - Dip. L.P. - as appropriate;

"the Degree" means the degree of Bachelor of Laws - LL.B.;

“the Diploma” means the Diploma of Legal Procurator - Dip. L.P.;

"the Principal Regulations" means the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004.
Applicability

2. These bye-laws shall be applicable for courses commencing in October 2003 or later.

Areas of Study

3. (1) The Degree may be awarded in Laws as the Main Honours area of study together with a second area of study.

**For courses commencing in October 2011 or later:**

3. (1) The Course leading to the Degree mainly comprises study-units dealing with law and such other study-units within a non-legal area as indicated in the programme of studies.

(2) The Board shall make arrangements with other faculties and institutes and announce the list of areas of study that may be taken with Laws in the Degree before the commencement of the Course.

**For courses commencing in October 2011 or later:**

(2) The Course leading to the Diploma mainly comprises study-units dealing with the law of procedure.

(3) The course leading to the Diploma mainly comprises study-units dealing with the law of procedure.

Special Course Requirements for Admission

4. Apart from satisfying the general requirements for admission as specified in the Admission Regulations of the University, applicants for the Degree must:

(a) be in possession of passes at Grade C or better at Advanced Matriculation Level or equivalent in two subjects chosen from Computing, Information Technology and all the subjects in Groups 1, 2 and 3 of the Matriculation Certificate Examination; and
(b) satisfy the special course requirements relevant to their chosen second area of study as indicated in the bye-laws for the degree in the subject offered under the auspices of that faculty or institute that has responsibility for the area of study.

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**Course Duration**

5. The Course shall extend over a period of three years of full-time studies.

**Degree Course Programme**
6. (1) The programme of studies for the Degree shall comprise study-units to which a total of 180 credits are assigned, including:

(a) study-units to which not less than 110 credits are assigned comprising the compulsory programme of studies for Laws as the Honours Main area of study;

(b) study-units to which not less than 35 credits are assigned in an area of study approved by the Board;

(c) optional study-units to which 6 credits are assigned; and

(d) the remaining study-units may be taken from either the Laws Main area of study or from the chosen second area of study or from both.”

(2) The Board shall publish the programme of studies for Laws, drawn up in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Principal Regulations, and approved by Senate. Subject to changes that the Board may, with the approval of Senate, be constrained to make, students are bound to follow the study-units and obtain the credits as indicated in the programme of studies they are following for the Degree.

(3) The programmes of studies for the areas of study that may be taken together with Laws in the Course shall be those published by the boards of the academic entities responsible for each discipline.

For courses commencing in October 2009 or later:

6. (1) The programme of studies for the Degree shall comprise a total of 180 credits including:

(a) study-units to which not less than 110 credits are assigned comprising the compulsory programme of studies for Laws as the Honours Main area of study;

(b) study-units to which 36 credits are assigned in an area of study approved by the Board; and

(c) 34 credits for study-units which may be taken from either the Laws Main area of study or from the chosen second area of study or from both.”

(2) The Board shall publish the programme of studies for Laws, drawn up in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Principal Regulations, and approved by Senate. Subject to changes that the Board may, with the approval of Senate, be constrained to make, students are bound to follow the study-units and obtain the credits as indicated in the programme of studies they are following for the Degree.
(3) The programmes of studies for the areas of study that may be taken together with Laws in the Course shall be those published by the boards of the academic entities responsible for each discipline.

For courses commencing in October 2011 or later:

6. The programme of studies for the Degree shall consist of study-units to which 180 credits shall be assigned.

Diploma Course Programme

7. (1) The course leading to the Diploma may be followed either concurrently with the course leading to the Degree or following successful completion of the course leading to the Degree.

(2) The programme of studies for the Diploma shall consist of study-units to which 60 credits are assigned comprising also study-units dealing with the law of procedure and which, when followed concurrently with the programme of studies leading to the Degree, shall be followed in lieu of, or together with, other Law study-units, as directed by the Board.

For courses commencing in October 2010 or later:

(2) The programme of studies for the Diploma shall consist of study-units to which not less than 30 credits and not more than 60 credits are assigned comprising also study-units dealing with the law of procedure and which, when followed concurrently with the programme of studies leading to the Degree, shall be followed in lieu of, or together with, other Law study-units, as directed by the Board.

(3) Students who take up the option to follow the course leading to the Diploma concurrently with the course leading to the Degree shall indicate their option at the end of the first year of the Course and prior to registering in the second year and shall only qualify for the Diploma if they also satisfy all the requirements for the Degree.

(4) Students who do not opt to follow the Diploma programme of studies concurrently with the course leading to the Degree may register for the study-units in the Diploma programme in an additional year of study following their obtaining the Degree. In these instances, successful completion of the Degree programme is a prerequisite for registration in the Diploma.
Classification of the Award

8. The Final Weighted Average Mark for the classification of the Degree shall be based on the results obtained in each year of the Course, which shall be weighted according to the following criteria:

- First Year Average Mark 24%
- Second Year Average Mark 38%
- Third Year Average Mark 38%.