

**EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)**

Bye-Laws of 2011 in terms of the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004 for the Diploma in Design Foundation Studies under the auspices of the Faculty for the Built Environment

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred upon him by articles 74 (5) and 75 (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 for the Built Environment in virtue of the powers conferred upon it by article 81 (1) of the said Act and which have been approved by the Senate of the University of Malta as required by article 81 (2) of the said Act:

Citation and Interpretation

1. (1) These bye-laws may be cited as the Bye-Laws of 2011 in terms of the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004 for the Diploma in Design Foundation Studies under the auspices of the Faculty for the Built Environment.

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

“the Board” means the Board of the Faculty for the Built Environment;

“the Board of Studies” means the Board of Studies appointed for the Course by Senate, on the recommendation of the Board;

“the Course” means the programme of study leading to the Diploma in Design Foundation Studies;

“the Certificate” means the Certificate in Design Foundation Studies;

“the Diploma” means the Diploma in Design Foundation Studies; and

“the Principal Regulations” means the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004.

Applicability

2. These bye-laws shall apply to courses commencing in October 2010 or later.

Requirements for Admission

3. To be registered as regular students in the Course, applicants must satisfy the general requirements for admission as specified in the Admission Regulations of the University.

Course Duration

4. The Course shall extend over a period of two semesters of full-time study.

Programme of Study

5. (1) The Course shall consist of a number of taught study-units to which a total of 60 credits are assigned.

(2) The programme of study shall include a common core of visual design fundamentals, and elective study-units chosen from an approved list of study-units designed to, amongst other things, develop visual literacy and visual communication skills, and language, cognitive, and human communication skills.

(3) The programme of study shall be drawn up by the Board of Studies and published by the Board after approval by Senate, normally not less than eight months prior to the commencement of the Course.

(4) Students who successfully complete a prescribed set of study-units totalling 30 credits and opt not to proceed with the Course, or having proceeded do not successfully complete the Course, shall be eligible for the award of the Certificate.

Assessment and Progress

6. (1) The assessment of each taught study-unit shall be completed by the end of the semester in which the teaching of the study-unit is held.

(2) Students must attend at least 80% of the lecture programme, studio sessions, practical workshops or seminars prescribed for a study-unit before they can be allowed to present themselves for any formal assessment of the study-unit.

Classification of the Award

7. (1) The Final Weighted Average Mark for the purpose of the classification of the Diploma shall be based on the results obtained in the Course, all credits being weighted equally.

(2) The names of students who qualify for the award of the Diploma shall be published in a list in alphabetical order classified as indicated in the Principal Regulations.