EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)

Bye-Laws of 2013 in terms of the
General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004
for the Degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts (Honours) –
(BFA) (Hons) - in Digital Arts
under the auspices of the Faculty of Media and Knowledge Sciences

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 of Media and
Knowledge Sciences in virtue of the powers conferred upon it by article 81 (1)(c) 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 2013 in terms of
the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004 for the degree
of Bachelor of Fine Arts (Honours) – (BFA) (Hons) - in Digital Arts under the
auspices of the Faculty of Media and Knowledge Sciences.

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

“the Board” means the Board of the Faculty of Media and Knowledge
Sciences;

“the Course” means the programme of study leading to the degree of
Bachelor of Fine Arts (Honours) – (BFA) (Hons) - in Digital Arts;

“the Degree” means the degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts (Honours) – (BFA)
(Hons) - in Digital Arts; and

“the Principal Regulations” means the General Regulations for University

Applicability
2. These bye-laws shall be applicable for courses commencing in October 2013 or later.

Requirements for Admission

3. (1) To be registered as regular students in the Course applicants shall:

(a) satisfy the general requirements for admission as specified in the Admission Regulations of the University and be in possession of a pass at Advanced Level in Art; or

(b) be in possession of the Diploma in Design Foundation Studies from the University of Malta; or

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<td>(c) be in possession of the MCAST-BTEC Extended Diploma in Arts and Design or Creative Media Production, together with an Advanced Level at grade C or better in one of the following subjects: English, Graphical Communication, History, Information Technology, Marketing, Philosophy, and Sociology, or a subject deemed equivalent by the Board, together with passes at SEC Level at Grade 5 or better in English Language, Mathematics and Maltese; or</td>
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<td>(c) be in possession of the MCAST Advanced Diploma (Level 4) in Art and Design or Creative Media Production or Graphic Design and Interactive Media or Photography or Fashion and Retail, together with an Advanced Level pass at Grade C or better in one of the following subjects: English, Graphical Communication, History, Information Technology, Marketing, Philosophy, Sociology, or a subject deemed comparable by the Board, together with passes at SEC Level at Grade 5 or better in English Language, Mathematics and Maltese; or</td>
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<td>(d) be in possession of an MCAST-BTEC Higher National Diploma (HND) in a related subject, together with passes at SEC Level at Grade 5 or better in English Language, Mathematics and Maltese.</td>
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<td>(d) be in possession of a transcript showing passes in 120 ECTS credits in respect of the first two years of study in a three-year MCAST Bachelor’s degree</td>
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course in an Art and Design related subject, together with passes at SEC Level at Grade 5 or better in English Language, Mathematics and Maltese.

(2) Applicants applying under sub-paragraph (a)(iii) of paragraph 2 of the Admission Regulations who are not in possession of the qualifications listed in paragraph (1) of this bye-law must present other professional qualifications and/or experience that would satisfy the Board that they have reached the academic standard to follow the Course with profit.

(3) All applicants shall be required to attend for an interview and present to an interviewing board a portfolio of their recent works.

(4) The interviewing board, which shall be composed of at least three members, shall determine the applicants’ eligibility to join the Course. The criteria for determining the eligibility of applicants shall be published at the time of the call for applications.

Course Duration

4. The Course shall extend over three years of full-time study.

Programme of Study

5. (1) The Board shall publish the programme of study before the commencement of the Course. 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 study for the Degree, provided that the programme of study is drawn up in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Principal Regulations.

(2) Students shall be required to register and pass in study-units to which a total of 180 ECTS credits are assigned.

Classification of the Award

6. The Final Weighted Average Mark for the classification of the Degree shall be based on the results obtained in the three years of the Course, which shall be weighted as follows:

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