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**EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)**

**Bye-Laws of 2011 in terms of the
General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004
for the Degree of Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) - B.Eng. (Hons) -
under the auspices of the Faculty of Engineering**

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 Engineering 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 degree of Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) - B.Eng. (Hons) - under the auspices of the Faculty of Engineering.

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

“the Board” means the Board of the Faculty of Engineering;

“the Course” means the programme of study leading to the Degree of Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) - B.Eng. (Hons);

“the Degree” means the degree of Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) - B.Eng. (Hons);

“the Faculty” means the Faculty of Engineering; and

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

Applicability

2. These bye-laws shall be applicable as from October 2010 or later.

Areas of Study

3. The Degree may be awarded in any one of the following areas of study:

Electrical and Electronic Engineering; or
Mechanical Engineering

Special Course Requirements

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

either (a) satisfy the general requirements for admission as specified in the Admission Regulations and be in possession also of passes at Advanced Matriculation Level at Grade C or better in Pure Mathematics and in Physics;

or (b) be in possession of passes in the Secondary Education Certificate Examination at Grade 5 or better in Maltese and English Language, and of either the MCAST-BTEC Higher National Diploma in an area deemed by the Board to be relevant to the Course, or the MCAST Diploma in Industrial Electronics.

(2) If applicants are graduates of a university or have other qualifications considered to be sufficient, they may be exempted by the University Admissions Board, on the advice of the Faculty Admissions Committee, from the whole or part of these special course requirements.

Applicable for courses commencing in October 2019 or later:

Special Course Requirements

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

either (a) satisfy the general requirements for admission as specified in the Admissions Regulations and be in possession also of passes at Advanced Matriculation Level at Grade C or better in Pure Mathematics and in Physics;

or (b) as from October 2020 onwards, be in possession of the Certificate in Engineering Sciences from the University.

(2) The Board may also consider applicants in possession of a qualification at MQF Level 5 in an engineering domain, together with passes in the Secondary Education Certificate Examination at Grade 5 or better in English Language, Maltese, Mathematics and Physics, to join the Course. Such applicants shall be required to present with the MQF qualification they submit for entry, a detailed transcript showing their performance during their studies. They shall further be required to attend for an interview to assess whether they have the necessary aptitude to follow the Course with profit.

Applicable for courses commencing in October 2020 or later:

(3) Applicants considered as “Adult Learners” (mature applicants) in terms of paragraph (c) of regulation 6 of the Admissions Regulations must be in possession of those qualifications and/or experience that would satisfy the Faculty Admissions Committee that they have reached the academic standard required to follow the Course with profit. Such applicants shall be required to submit with their application a letter written in English giving their motivation for applying for the Course together with a copy of their Curriculum Vitae (C.V.).

Applicable for courses commencing in October 2019 or later:

(4) The interviewing board, which shall be appointed for the purpose by the Board, shall be composed of at least three members.

(5) If applicants are graduates of a university or have other qualifications considered to be sufficient, they may be exempted by the University Admissions Board, on the advice of the Faculty Admissions Committee, from the whole or part of these special course requirements.

Course Duration

5. The Course shall extend over a period of four years of full-time study.

Applicable for courses commencing in October 2020 or later:

Course Duration

5. (1) The Course shall extend over a period of four years of full-time study or up to eight years of part-time study.

(2) The Course offered on a part-time basis is open only to applicants accepted as adult learners as indicated in paragraph (3) of bye-law 4.

Course Programme

6. (1) Applicants shall be required to indicate their choice of area of study at the time of application for admission.

(2) The Course shall consist of study-units to which 240 credits shall be assigned.

(3) The Board shall publish the programme of study for each area of study before the commencement of the Course, following the approval of 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 study of the area of study they are following for the Degree.

Classification of the Award

7. The overall evaluation of each student's performance shall be based on the results obtained in each year of the Course weighted according to the following criteria:

First Year Average Mark	10%
Second Year Average Mark	20%
Third Year Average Mark	30%
Fourth Year Average Mark	40%

8. A Pass degree of Bachelor of Technology – B.Tech. – shall be awarded to a student who does not qualify for the award of the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) – B.Eng.(Hons) – degree but who obtains a minimum of 180 credits, unless the student is eligible and opts to repeat the fourth year of the Course.

Applicable for courses commencing in October 2020 or later:

Special Provisions for Part-Time Courses

9. The provisions of the foregoing bye-laws shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to courses followed on a part-time basis, and subject to such changes as may reasonably be deemed by the Board of Studies as necessary due to the part-time nature of the Course.

Repeal

10. The Bye-Laws for the Degree of Bachelor of Industrial Engineering (Honours) – B.Ind.Eng.(Hons), published as Legal Notice 83 of 2009, shall be deemed to cease to be in force as from 1st October 2010, and any students registered on this course before 1st October 2010 shall be governed by the Bye-Laws of 2011 for the Degree of Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) – B.Eng.(Hons).