

Recent Activities at the University of Malta - Gozo Campus

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Examinations

During the May/June session of examinations, more than 700 exams were held in Gozo for Gozitan students following courses both at the Msida Campus as well as at the Gozo Campus. The exams were organised partly at the Examination Centre in Victoria and partly at the University Gozo Campus in Xewkija. During the Supplementary Examinations Session held in September, around 160 of them were organised at the Gozo Campus.

Students' Advisory Services

Advisors from the Students' Advisory Services at the University of Malta, were available at the Gozo Campus on 14th and 15th July. During these days Gozitan students were provided with the necessary information and advice in order to make informed choices when they come to apply for University courses. This is another service which the University of Malta offers to the Gozitan public in Gozo.

Gozo Lace Day 2018

On 15th April, the Lace-Making Programme organised its annual event, the "Gozo Lace Day". This event was held at the Gozo Campus for

the twenty first year, and as in previous years it included a number of exhibits and demonstrations related to Gozo lace. The event also included a number of talks on matters relating to lace making. Lace makers were invited to bring their own pillow and join others in lace making.

Dr Consiglia Azzopardi delivered an interesting speech about the courses offered and the work carried out by the Lace-Making Programme during the past academic year. She also gave information about a diploma course in Lace-Making which the University of Malta will be offering in October 2018. Present for the occasion was the Hon. Justyne Caruana, Minister for Gozo.

Courses

The courses running at the Gozo Campus during academic year 2017-2018 are:

- Certificate in Proof Reading: Maltese (Yr 1)
- Diploma in Creativity, Innovation and Entrepreneurship (Yr 1)
- Bachelor of Commerce (Yr 2)
- Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) (Yr 3)

The lectures of these courses are held every week on Friday evenings and Saturday mornings.



A number of other courses are offered during week days via the video-conferencing system. This facility allows Gozitan students to follow and participate in all lectures

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of their relative course held at the Msida Campus, without having to cross over to Malta.

The courses offered via video-conferencing are:

- Diploma in Facilitating Inclusive Education (Yr 1)
- Executive Master of Business Administration in Public Management (Yr 2)
- Postgraduate Certificate in the Teaching of Ethics in Schools (Yr 1)
- Masters in Education Leadership and Management (Yr 1)

The University of the Third Age continued with the offering of its programme for elderly people. Mr Noel Formosa delivered an interesting course entitled 'Teżori Moħbija f'San Lawrenz', while Mr Richard P. Agius delivered a study-unit on 'The British Period in Malta'. Over fifty attendees participated in these courses.

During the month of July, a series of public lectures in Health and Society were held at the campus. The lectures were delivered by Professor Maurice Cauchi. The aim of these lectures was to highlight the importance of issues that impact on the individual and on the broader society, such as prevention of disease, medical practice and genetic issues. At the end of the lectures, a certificate of attendance was awarded to the participants.

Permanent Photo Exhibition

On 19th May, the Hon. Dr Justyne Caruana, Minister for Gozo, opened a permanent photo exhibition at the campus. A number of photographic prints accompanied with informative captions



Daniel Cilia (left), showing one of the photographic prints. Photo courtesy MGOZ - Terry Camilleri.

were installed along the corridors of the campus. The photos, which were donated by renowned photographer Daniel Cilia, relate to a number of historical and cultural sites around Gozo. The captions were provided by Rev. Dr Joseph Bezzina. Prof Louis F. Cassar, Rector's Delegate, was also present for the occasion.

Seminar on Blue Economy

A seminar on the Blue Economy was held at the Gozo Campus on 19th May. It was organised in partnership by the Ministry for Gozo, the International Ocean Institute and the University of Malta. Different aspects of the Blue Economy and how the concept can be understood in its macro and micro dimensions were discussed.

The event was opened by the Hon. Dr Justyne Caruana, Minister for Gozo. Addresses were made by a number of experts from the International Ocean Institute, the Trade Analysis Branch of the UN Convention on Trade and Development, Geneva, the Islands and Small States Institute, the Institute of Earth Systems of the University of Malta and the Eco Gozo Regional Development Directorate, Ministry for Gozo.



Professor Louis F. Cassar (left) chairing the seminar.

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