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# Editorial

One of the milestones of education in Gozo must be the establishment of the Gozo Centre as a separate campus of the University of Malta. This has been a great boom to a considerable number of students who, for one reason or another, have found it difficult to partake in the facilities available on the larger Island. That there was a need for such a development is attested for by the number of students who have flocked to this Centre to take up longer or shorter courses leading from Certificate level to full-blown Degrees. The first Bachelor of Arts students had their graduation ceremony last year.

A University is not merely a place where the young or the not so young go to obtain a paper qualification. It should be a Centre where a thirst for knowledge is assuaged and where discussion and new ideas are fermented. It is also an open community where none should feel excluded. It is therefore particularly pleasing to see those persons who have missed out previously taking up this opportunity to the full.

It is because of this need to involve all the population and encourage them to participate with university life that the idea occurred to the Board of the Gozo Centre to issue this journal. Its aims are many. It will empower the students both those studying in Gozo, as well as those undertaking courses in Malta to express their views and their problems. It will comment on activities taking place at the Centre itself, including seminars that regularly occur there. It will also cover other aspects of Gozitan life and help link together all those persons and associations that are involved in enriching Gozitan life.

This journal will be published every quarter. The next issue is expected to be out in September. We are keen to hear your comments.