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# EDUCATION ACT (CAP. 327)

Bye-Laws of 2015 in terms of the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004 for the Certificate in Language Proficiency – Cert. Lang. Pr. - and the Diploma in Language Proficiency – Dip. Lang. Pr. under the auspices of the Faculty of Arts

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 Arts 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 2015 in terms of the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004 for the Certificate in Language Proficiency Cert. Lang. Pr. and the Diploma in Language Proficiency Dip. Lang. Pr. the auspices of the Faculty of Arts.
  - (2) In these bye-laws, unless the context otherwise requires -

"the Board" means the Board of the Faculty of Arts;

"the Board of Studies" means the Board of Studies appointed by Senate for the respective area of study, on the recommendation of the Board;

"the Certificate" means the Certificate in Language Proficiency (named area of study) – Cert. Lang. Pr. -;

"the Certificate Course" means the programme of study leading to the Certificate in Language Proficiency (named area of study), as applicable;

"the Diploma" means the Diploma in Language Proficiency (named area of study) – Dip. Lang. Pr. -;

"the Diploma Course" means the programme of study leading to the Diploma

in Language Proficiency (named area of study), as applicable; and

"the University" means the University of Malta.

# **Applicability**

2. These bye-laws shall be applicable for courses commencing in October 2015 or later.

# **Areas of Study**

3. The areas of study offered in any particular year in the Certificate and the Diploma Courses shall be published by the Board at the time of the call for applications.

#### **Requirements for Admission**

- 4. (1) To be registered as regular students in the Certificate and the Diploma Courses, applicants shall satisfy the general requirements for admission as specified in the Admission Regulations.
- (2) Applicants for the Diploma Course may be exempted from elements of the Certificate Course if they can provide accredited certification in the language and if they are deemed able to follow the Course with profit by the Board of Studies for the area of study.
- (3) The Certificate and the Diploma Course may be taken concurrently with any University undergraduate or postgraduate course, whether followed on a full-time or part-time basis.

#### **Duration of Courses**

- 5. The duration of the Courses shall be as follows:
- (a) Certificate course: 6 semesters on a part-time basis; and
- (b) Diploma course: 4 to 6 semesters on a part-time basis, beyond the Certificate Course.

## For courses commencing in October 2017 or later:

#### **Duration of Courses**

5. The duration of the Courses, depending if followed concurrently with other courses or not, shall be as follows:

- (a) Certificate course: 3 to 6 semesters on a part-time basis; and
- (b) Diploma course: 4 to 6 semesters on a part-time basis, beyond the Certificate Course.

## **Course Programmes**

- 6. (1) The Certificate Course shall comprise study-units to which a total of 30 ECTS credits shall be assigned.
- (2) The Diploma Course shall comprise study-units to which a total of 60 ECTS credits shall be assigned.
- 7. The programmes of study shall be published after approval by Senate, normally not less than eight months prior to the commencement of the Course.

#### **Award of the Certificate**

- 8. (1) The Certificate shall be awarded to students who obtain all the credits indicated in paragraph (1) of bye-law 6 unless they opt to proceed to the Diploma Course.
- (2) The names of students who qualify for the award of the Certificate shall be published in a list in alphabetical order.

## Classification of the Award of the Diploma

- 9. (1) The Final Weighted Average Mark for the purpose of the classification of the Diploma shall be based on the results obtained in all the study-units of the as indicated in paragraph (2) of bye-law 6, 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 follows:

Pass with Distinction Pass with Merit Pass.