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EDUCATION ACT (CAP. 327)

For courses commencing in October 2018 or later the title of the course shall read as follows:

Bye-Laws of 2018 in terms of the General Regulations for University Postgraduate Awards, 2008 for the Degree of Master of Arts in Tourism and Culture - M.A. -under the auspices of the Institute for Tourism, Travel and Culture

Instead of:

Bye-Laws of 2013 in terms of the General Regulations for University Postgraduate Awards, 2008 for the Degree of Master of Arts in Cultural Sustainability and Tourism – M.A. - under the auspices of the Institute for Tourism, Travel and Culture

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 Institute for Tourism, Travel and Culture in virtue of the powers conferred upon it by article 6(b)(v) of the Statute for the Institute, which bye-laws have been approved by the Senate of the University of Malta:

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 Postgraduate Awards, 2008 for the degree of Master of Arts in Cultural Sustainability and Tourism – M.A. - under the auspices of the Institute for Tourism, Travel and Culture.

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

“the Board” means the Board of the Institute for Tourism, Travel and Culture;

“the Course” means the programme of study leading to the degree of Master of Arts in Cultural Sustainability and Tourism – M.A.;

“the Degree” means the degree of Master of Arts in Cultural Sustainability and Tourism – M.A.;

“the Institute” means the Institute for Tourism, Travel and Culture;

“the Postgraduate Diploma” means the Postgraduate Diploma in Cultural Sustainability and Tourism – P.G. Dip.; and

“the Principal Regulations” means the General Regulations for University Postgraduate Awards, 2008.

Applicable for courses commencing in October 2018 or later:

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“the Postgraduate Diploma” means the Postgraduate Diploma in Tourism and Culture - P.G. Dip.; and

“the Principal Regulations” means the General Regulations for University Postgraduate Awards, 2008.

Applicability

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

Requirements for Admission

3. The Course shall be open to applicants in possession of:

(a) a Bachelor degree from this University obtained with at least Second Class Honours in Tourism Studies, Management, Marketing, Sociology, Anthropology, History, Geography or in other related areas deemed suitable by the Board; or

(b) a Bachelor degree from this University in Tourism Studies or related areas deemed suitable by the Board, obtained with Third Class Honours, provided that they have obtained other qualifications, including relevant experience, following their first cycle degree.

Applicable for courses commencing in October 2014 or later:

Requirements for Admission

3. The Course shall be open to applicants in possession of:

(a) a Bachelor degree from this University, or another recognised university, with at least Second Class Honours or Category II in Tourism Studies or in other related areas deemed suitable by the Board; or

(b) a Bachelor degree from this University, or another recognised university, obtained with Third Class Honours or Category III, in Tourism Studies or related areas deemed suitable by the Board, provided that they have obtained other qualifications, including relevant experience, following their first cycle degree.

Course Duration

4. The Course shall extend over three semesters of full-time study or five semesters of part-time study.

Programme of Study

5. The programme of study shall comprise study-units to which a total of 90 ECTS credits are assigned, of which 60 ECTS credits are assigned to taught study-units and 30 ECTS credits are assigned to the dissertation study-unit.

6. Students who obtain the 60 ECTS credits assigned to the taught study-units with an average mark of at least 50% and do not proceed with the Course, or having proceeded do not successfully complete the dissertation, shall be eligible for the award of a Postgraduate Diploma.

7. The programme of study shall be published after approval by Senate, normally not less than eight months prior to the commencement of the Course.

Assessment and Progress

8. (1) The assessment of each taught study-unit shall be completed by the end of the semester in which the teaching of the study-unit is held.

(2) Students who in any academic year fail in the assessment of not more than 20 ECTS credits for taught study-units, if following the full-time Course, or not more than 10 ECTS credits if following the part-time Course, shall be given the opportunity to re-sit the failed study-units during the September supplementary examination session.

(3) Students who fail in more than the number of credits permitted under paragraph (2) of this bye-law or students who after re-assessment fail to obtain credit for any study-unit, shall be required to withdraw from the Course.

9. Students shall be allowed to proceed to the dissertation study-unit subject to obtaining the 60 ECTS credits assigned to the taught study-units with a minimum average mark of 60%.

Dissertation

10. (1) Students shall be required to submit an individual dissertation of approximately 25,000 words in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Board.

(2) Work on the dissertation may be undertaken during the third semester of the full-time Course, or during the fourth and fifth semesters of the part-time course. Each student shall be assigned a supervisor who shall provide guidance and advice on a regular basis during the period of study.

(3) A provisional title for the dissertation and a detailed research proposal shall be submitted to the Board for approval by the date indicated by the Board.

11. (1) Students shall be required to have regular contact with their supervisor.

(2) Supervisors shall submit to the Board progress reports for each student under their supervision at the end of each semester of studies, whether the student is following the Course on a full-time or part-time basis. Such reports may include a recommendation to either (a) extend the period of study in order to enable the student to complete the dissertation; or (b) terminate studies prematurely if the supervisor deems this to be proper in the circumstances, provided that:

(i) the extension of the study period referred to in (a) shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Principal Regulations; and

(ii) the Board may not terminate studies prematurely according to (b) until it has first given the student a chance to be heard.

Classification of the Awards

12. The Final Weighted Average Mark for the purpose of the classification of the Postgraduate Diploma and of the Degree shall be based on the results obtained in all components of the programme of study, all credits being weighted equally.

Special Provisions for Part-Time Courses

13. 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 as necessary due to the part-time nature of the Course.