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EDUCATION ACT (CAP. 327)

Bye-Laws of 2019 in terms of the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004 for the Degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Science for Education and Communication - B.Sc. (Hons) - under the auspices of the Faculty of Education and the Faculty of Science

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 Boards of the Faculty of Education and the Faculty of Science in virtue of the powers conferred upon them 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 2019 in terms of the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004 for the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Science for Education and Communication - B.Sc. (Hons) - under the auspices of the Faculty of Education and the Faculty of Science.

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

“the Board of Studies” means the Board of Studies appointed by Senate for the Course, on the recommendations of the Boards of the Faculty of Education and the Faculty of Science;

“the Course” means the programme of study leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Science for Education and Communication - B.Sc. (Hons);

“the Degree” means the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Science for Education and Communication - B.Sc. (Hons);

“the Diploma” means the Diploma in Science for Education and Communication;

“the Higher Diploma” means the Higher Diploma in Science for Education and Communication; and

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

Applicability

2. These bye-laws shall be applicable for courses commencing in October 2019 or later.

Areas of Specialisation

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

Science with specialisation in Biology; or
Science with specialisation in Chemistry; or
Science with specialisation in Physics.

Applicable for courses commencing in October 2020 or later:

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

Science with specialisation in Biology; or
Science with specialisation in Chemistry; or
Science with specialisation in Geosciences; or
Science with specialisation in Physics.

Special Course Requirements for Admission

4. To be registered as regular students in the Course, applicants shall, apart from satisfying the general requirements for admission as specified in the Admissions Regulations, be in possession of the following special course requirements:

(a) for **Science with specialisation in Biology**: a pass at Advanced Level at Grade C or better in Biology and a pass at Intermediate Level at Grade C or better in Chemistry;

(b) for **Science with specialisation in Chemistry**: a pass at Advanced Level at Grade C or better in Chemistry and a pass at Intermediate Level at Grade C or better in Pure Mathematics or Physics; and

(c) for **Science with specialisation in Physics**: either a pass at Advanced Level at Grade C or better in Physics and a pass at Intermediate Level at Grade C or better in Pure Mathematics or a pass at Advanced Level at Grade C or better in Pure Mathematics and a pass at Intermediate Level at Grade C or better in Physics.

4. To be registered as regular students in the Course, applicants shall, apart from satisfying the general requirements for admission as specified in the Admission Regulations, be in possession of those qualifications relevant to their chosen area of specialisation as indicated in the bye-laws for the Degrees of Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Science (Honours) offered under the auspices of the Faculty of Science.

The following bye-law shall be deleted for courses commencing in October 2022 or later:

5. Applicants who possess a grade D when the minimum specified grade is C in only one of the required subjects, whether at Advanced or Intermediate Level, of the special course requirements indicated in bye-law 4, shall be admitted under those conditions as the Board of Studies may impose to compensate for the qualification deficiency. If, by the end of the first year, such students do not successfully complete all the requirements to progress regularly to the second year of the Course, they shall be required to withdraw from the Course, and shall neither be entitled to repeat the year nor to progress conditionally as normally permitted under the Principal Regulations.

Course Duration

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

Programme of Study

6. The Board of Studies shall publish the programme of study before the commencement of each Course, after approval by Senate. Subject to changes that the Board of Studies 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 for the Degree, provided that the programme of study shall be drawn up in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Principal Regulations.

7. (1) Students shall be required to register and pass in study-units to which a total of 180 ECTS credits are assigned.

(2) Students who successfully complete study-units to which 60 ECTS credits are assigned and opt not to proceed with the Course, or, having proceeded, do not successfully complete the Course, shall be eligible for the award of the Diploma.

(3) Students who successfully complete study-units to which 120 ECTS credits are assigned and opt not to proceed with the Course or, having proceeded, do not successfully complete the Course, shall be eligible for the award of the Higher Diploma.

Classification of the Awards

8. The Final Weighted Average Mark for the classifications of the Degree, the Higher Diploma and the Diploma shall be based on the results obtained in each year of the Course, each of which shall be weighted equally.

Repeal

9. The Bye-Laws of 2017 in terms of the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004 for the Degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Science for Education and Communication - B.Sc. (Hons) - published as Legal Notice 364 of 2017, shall be deemed to cease to be in force as from 1 October 2019, provided that students registered for this course before the 1 October 2019 shall continue to be governed by the bye-laws that were in force at the time of their joining the course.