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**EDUCATION ACT  
(CAP. 327)**

**Bye-Laws of 2018 in terms of the  
General Regulations for University Postgraduate Awards, 2008 for the  
Postgraduate Certificate in Teaching Maltese as a Foreign Language - P.G. Cert. -  
under the auspices of the Faculty of Education**

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 Education 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 2018 in terms of the General Regulations for University Postgraduate Awards, 2008 for the Postgraduate Certificate in Teaching Maltese as a Foreign Language - P.G. Cert. - under the auspices of the Faculty of Education.

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

“the Board” means the Board of the Faculty of Education;

“the Certificate” means the Postgraduate Certificate in Teaching Maltese as a Foreign Language - P.G. Cert.;

“the Course” means the programme of study leading to the Postgraduate Certificate in Teaching Maltese as a Foreign Language - P.G. Cert.; 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 February 2019 or later.

## **Requirements for Admission**

3. (1) Applicants may be registered as students on the Course if they are in possession of at least a SEC pass in Maltese at grade 5 or better and of:

(a) the degree of Bachelor of Education (Honours); or

(b) a first cycle degree together with a Postgraduate Certificate in Education;  
or

(c) a first cycle and/or second cycle degree or higher and a permanent teacher's warrant; or

(d) any other recognized teaching qualification together with a permanent teacher's warrant.

### **Applicable for courses commencing in October 2019 or later:**

3. (1) Applicants may be registered as students on the Course if they are in possession of at least a SEC pass in Maltese at grade 5 or better and of:

(a) the degree of Bachelor of Education (Honours); or

(b) a first cycle degree together with a Postgraduate Certificate in Education; or

(c) a first cycle and/or second cycle degree or higher and a permanent teacher's warrant; or

(d) any other recognized teaching qualification together with a permanent teacher's warrant; or

(e) a first cycle and/or second cycle degree or higher, and shall have been based in a school, and/or in a post-secondary institution, occupying a role with direct relevance to teaching Maltese as a Foreign Language for at least three years.

### **Applicable for courses commencing in October 2020 or later:**

(e) a first cycle and/or second cycle degree or higher, and shall have one-year teaching experience in a recognised institution.

(2) The Board shall recommend to Senate the number of applicants that may be allowed to register on the Course, depending on the availability of resources.

The number of available places shall be announced at the time of the call for applications.

(3) When the number of places is so limited and the number of eligible applicants exceeds the number of available places, applicants will be selected using the following criteria, the weighting of which shall be published at the time of the call for applications:

- (a) degree type and classification;
- (b) work experience; and
- (c) performance during an interview, if required.

(4) The interviewing board appointed by the Board shall be composed of at least three members.

### **Course Duration**

4. (1) The Course shall extend over a period of three years of part-time study.

#### **Applicable for courses commencing in October 2020 or later:**

4. (1) The Course shall extend over a period of a minimum of two semesters and a maximum of six semesters of part-time study.

(2) Eligible applicants may register as visiting students for individual study-units and obtain credit for them. Should they be accepted to join the Course within seven years from following the first study-unit, the Board may allow the transfer of these credits to the student's academic record for the Course.

### **Programme of Study**

5. The programme of study shall consist of a number of study-units to which 30 ECTS credits shall be assigned.

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

### **Result of the Award**

7. (1) The Certificate shall be awarded to students who obtain all the credits indicated in bye-law 5 with a Final Average Weighted Mark of at least 50%.

(2) The names of students who qualify for the award of the Certificate shall be published in a list in alphabetical order.