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# EDUCATION ACT (CAP. 327)

# Bye-Laws of 2013 for the Selection of Applicants for Admission to the Bachelor of Science (Honours) (Podiatry) Degree Course under the auspices of the Faculty of Health Sciences

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 Health Sciences 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:

# **Applicability**

1. These bye-laws shall apply to the Podiatry area of study in the course leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) at the Faculty of Health Sciences commencing in October 2013 or later.

# **Selection of Applicants**

2. Whenever the number of students that may be admitted to the Podiatry area of study is limited by Senate in terms of the provisions of bye-law 10 of the Bye-Laws of 2010 for the Degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours), and the number of eligible applicants for this area of study exceeds the number of places available, the selection of applicants shall be made according to the criteria listed in bye-law 3 of these bye-laws.

For courses commencing in October 2018 or later bye-law 3 shall read as follows:

#### **Criteria for Selection**

3. (1) (a) Grades obtained in the following subjects at the level indicated shall be considered first:

- (i) Biology at Advanced Level, hereafter referred to as the primary subject; and
- (ii) Chemistry or Physics at Intermediate Level, hereafter referred to as the secondary subject.

(b) A grade obtained in the secondary subject taken at Advanced Level, shall, for the purpose of selection, be equated to the following grades at Intermediate level:

Grade E at Advanced Level equated to Grade C at Intermediate Level Grade D at Advanced Level equated to Grade C at Intermediate Level Grade C at Advanced Level equated to Grade B at Intermediate Level Grade B at Advanced Level equated to Grade A at Intermediate Level Grade A at Advanced Level equated to Grade A at Intermediate Level

(c) Applicants who satisfy the general and the special course requirements as laid down in the bye-laws for the course shall be selected from amongst all eligible applicants according to the following categories, listed in order of preference:

1st Category: those with an 'A' in the primary subject and an 'A' in the secondary subject

2nd Category: those with an 'A' in the primary subject and a 'B' in the secondary subject

3rd Category: those with an 'A' in the primary subject and a 'C' in the secondary subject

4th Category: those with an 'A' in the primary subject and a 'D' in the secondary subject

those with a 'B' in the primary subject and an 'A' in the secondary subject

5th Category: those with an 'A' in the primary subject and an 'E' in the secondary subject

those with a 'B' in the primary subject and an 'B' in the secondary subject

6th Category: those with a 'B' in the primary subject and a 'C' in the secondary subject

7th Category: those with a 'B' in the primary subject and a 'D' in the secondary

subject

those with a 'C' in the primary subject and an 'A' in the

secondary subject

8th Category: those with a 'B' in the primary subject and an 'E' in the

secondary subject

those with a 'C' in the primary subject and a 'B' in the secondary

subject

9th Category: those with a 'C' in the primary subject and a 'C' in the secondary

subject

10th Category: those with a 'C' in the primary subject and a 'D' in the secondary

subject

11th Category: those with a 'C' in the primary subject and an 'E' in the

secondary subject

(2) Applicants in possession of the General Entry Requirements may offer a pass in the primary subject and/or in the secondary subject either as part of the General Entry Requirements or in addition to the General Entry Requirements.

- (3) When applicants present more than one pass in the primary subject and/or in the secondary subject, the best grade shall be taken into consideration.
- (4) For the purpose of selection, applicants who fully satisfy the general and the special course requirements by the 31 August preceding the commencement of the course shall be considered first.
- (5) If the number of eligible applicants falling in the last category of applicants eligible to be admitted in terms of the provisions of paragraph (1) of this bye-law is such that the total number of applicants to be admitted exceeds the number of places established by Senate, consideration shall first be given to:
- (a) the applicant's overall performance in all subjects presented for the award of the Matriculation Certificate. This shall be determined from the sum of points allocated for each subject, which shall be assigned as follows:

	Advanced	Intermediate
	Level	Level
Grade A	30 points	10 points
Grade B	24 points	8 points
<b>Grade C</b>	18 points	6 points
Grade D	12 points	4 points
Grade E	6 points	2 points

- (b) if this is not sufficient, the remaining eligible applicants shall be interviewed by an Interviewing Board appointed by the Board for the purpose, in order to fill the remaining places.
- (6) If the maximum number of students is not reached by the end of September preceding the commencement of the Course, the remaining applicants who possess a grade D instead of a grade C in the primary subject, shall be considered after the selection of applicants in terms of the provisions of paragraphs (1) (c) and (4) of bye-law 3 are completed. These applicants shall be selected from amongst all eligible applicants according to the following categories, listed in order of preference:

12th Category: those with a 'D' in the primary subject and an 'A' in the

secondary subject

13th Category: those with a 'D' in the primary subject and a 'B' in the secondary

subject

14th Category: those with a 'D' in the primary subject and a 'C' in the secondary

subject

15th Category: those with a 'D' in the primary subject and a 'D' in the secondary

subject

16th Category: those with a 'D' in the primary subject and an 'E' in the

secondary subject

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For courses which commenced in October 2016 and October 2017 bye-law 3 read as follows:

#### **Criteria for Selection**

- 3. (1) (a) Grades obtained in the following subjects at the level indicated shall be considered first:
- (i) Biology and Chemistry at Advanced Level, hereafter referred to as the primary subjects; and
- (ii) Physics at Intermediate Level, hereafter referred to as the secondary subject.
- (b) A grade obtained in the secondary subject taken at Advanced Level shall, for the purpose of selection, be equated to the following grades at Intermediate level:

Grade E at Advanced Level equated to Grade C at Intermediate Level Grade D at Advanced Level equated to Grade C at Intermediate Level Grade C at Advanced Level equated to Grade B at Intermediate Level Grade B at Advanced Level equated to Grade A at Intermediate Level Grade A at Advanced Level equated to Grade A at Intermediate Level.

(c) Applicants who satisfy the general and the special course requirements as laid down in the bye-laws for the course shall be selected from amongst all eligible applicants according to the following categories, listed in order of preference:

1st Category: those with 2 'A's in the primary subjects and an 'A' in the secondary subject

2nd Category: those with 2 'A's in the primary subjects and a 'B' in the secondary subject

3rd Category: those with 2 'A's in the primary subjects and a 'C' in the secondary subject

4th Category: those with 2 'A's in the primary subjects and a 'D' in the secondary subject

and those with 1 'A' and 1 'B' in the primary subjects and an 'A' in the secondary subject

5th Category: those with 2 'A's in the primary subjects and an 'E' in the secondary subject

and those with 1 'A' and 1 'B' in the primary subjects and a 'B' in the secondary subject

6th Category: those with 1 'A' and 1 'B' in the primary subjects and a 'C' in the secondary subject

7th Category: those with 1 'A' and 1 'B' in the primary subjects and a 'D' in the secondary subject

and those with 2 'B's in the primary subjects and an 'A' in the secondary subject

or those with 1 'A' and 1 'C' in the primary subjects and an 'A' in the secondary subject

8th Category: those with 1 'A' and 1 'B' in the primary subjects and an 'E' in the secondary subject

and those with 2 'B's in the primary subjects and a 'B' in the secondary subject

or those with 1 'A' and 1 'C' in the primary subjects and a 'B' in the secondary subject

9th Category: those with 2 'B's in the primary subjects and a 'C' in the secondary subject

and those with 1 'A' and 1 'C' in the primary subjects and a 'C' in the secondary subject

10th Category: those with 2 'B's in the primary subjects and a 'D' in the secondary subject

and those with 1 'A' and 1 'C' in the primary subjects and a 'D' in the secondary subject

or those with 1 'B' and 1 'C' in the primary subjects and an 'A' in the secondary subject

11th Category: those with 2 'B's in the primary subjects and an 'E' in the secondary subject

and those with 1 'A' and 1 'C' in the primary subjects and an 'E' in the secondary subject

or those with 1 'B' and 1 'C' in the primary subjects and a 'B' in the secondary subject

12th Category: those with 1 'B' and 1 'C' in the primary subjects and a 'C' in the secondary subject

13th Category: those with 1 'B' and 1 'C' in the primary subjects and a 'D' in the

secondary subject

and those with 2 'C's in the primary subjects and an 'A' in the

secondary subject

14th Category: those with 1 'B' and 1 'C' in the primary subjects and an 'E' in

the secondary subject

and those with 2 'C's in the primary subjects and a 'B' in the

secondary subject

15th Category: those with 2 'C's in the primary subjects and a 'C' in the

secondary subject

16th Category: those with 2 'C's in the primary subjects and a 'D' in the

secondary subject

17th Category: those with 2 'C's in the primary subjects and an 'E' in the

secondary subject

(2) Applicants in possession of the General Entry Requirements may offer a pass in the primary subjects and/or in the secondary subject either as part of the General Entry Requirements or in addition to the General Entry Requirements.

- (3) When applicants present more than one pass in the primary subjects and/or in the secondary subject, the best grade shall be taken into consideration.
- (4) For the purpose of selection, applicants who fully satisfy the general and the special course requirements by the 31 August preceding the commencement of the course shall be considered first.
- (5) If the number of eligible applicants falling in the last category of applicants eligible to be admitted in terms of the provisions of paragraph (1) (c) of this bye-law is such that the total number of applicants to be admitted exceeds the number of places established by Senate, consideration shall first be given to:
- (a) the applicant's overall performance in all subjects presented for the award of the Matriculation Certificate. This shall be determined from the sum of points allocated for each subject, which shall be assigned as follows:

	Advanced Level	Intermediate Level
Grade A	30 points	10 points
Grade B	24 points	8 points

Grade C	18 points	6 points
Grade D	12 points	4 points
Grade E	6 points	2 points

(b) if this is not sufficient, the remaining eligible applicants shall be interviewed by an Interviewing Board appointed by the Board for the purpose, in order to fill the remaining places.

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For courses which commenced up to October 2015 bye-law 3 reads as follows:

#### **Criteria for Selection**

- 3. (1) (a) Grades obtained in the following subjects at the level indicated shall be considered first:
- (i) Biology at Advanced Level, hereafter referred to as the primary subject; and
- (ii) Chemistry or Physics at Intermediate Level, hereafter referred to as the secondary subject.
- (b) A grade obtained in the secondary subject taken at Advanced Level, shall, for the purpose of selection, be given the same points as the same grade obtained in the secondary subject at Intermediate Level;

### For courses commencing in October 2014 or later:

(b) A grade obtained in the secondary subject taken at Advanced Level shall, for the purpose of selection, be equated to the following grades at Intermediate level:

Grade E at Advanced Level equated to Grade C at Intermediate Level Grade D at Advanced Level equated to Grade C at Intermediate Level Grade C at Advanced Level equated to Grade B at Intermediate Level Grade B at Advanced Level equated to Grade A at Intermediate Level Grade A at Advanced Level equated to Grade A at Intermediate Level.

(c) Applicants who satisfy the general and the special course requirements as laid down in the bye-laws for the course shall be selected from amongst all eligible applicants according to the following categories, listed in order of preference:

1st Category: those with an 'A' in the primary subject and an 'A' in the secondary subject those with an 'A' in the primary subject and a 'B' in the secondary 2nd Category: subject those with an 'A' in the primary subject and a 'C' in the secondary *3rd Category*: subject those with an 'A' in the primary subject and a 'D' in the secondary 4th Category: subject those with a 'B' in the primary subject and an 'A' in the secondary subject 5th Category: those with an 'A' in the primary subject and an 'E' in the secondary those with a 'B' in the primary subject and an 'B' in the secondary subject those with a 'B' in the primary subject and a 'C' in the secondary 6th Category: subject those with a 'B' in the primary subject and a 'D' in the secondary 7th Category: subject those with a 'C' in the primary subject and an 'A' in the secondary subject those with a 'B' in the primary subject and an 'E' in the secondary 8th Category: subject those with a 'C' in the primary subject and a 'B' in the secondary subject those with a 'C' in the primary subject and a 'C' in the secondary 9th Category: subject 10th Category: those with a 'C' in the primary subject and a 'D' in the secondary subject those with a 'C' in the primary subject and an 'E' in the secondary 11th Category: subject

- (2) Applicants in possession of the General Entry Requirements may offer a pass in the primary subject and/or in the secondary subject either as part of the General Entry Requirements or in addition to the General Entry Requirements.
- (3) When applicants present more than one pass in the primary subject and/or in the secondary subject, the best grade shall be taken into consideration.
- (4) For the purpose of selection, applicants who fully satisfy the general and the special course requirements and who would have submitted an original recent police conduct certificate (not more than 6 months old) to the Faculty by the 31 August preceding the commencement of the course, shall be considered first.

# For courses commencing in October 2014 or later:

- (4) For the purpose of selection, applicants who fully satisfy the general and the special course requirements by the 31 August preceding the commencement of the course shall be considered first.
- (5) If the number of eligible applicants falling in the last category of applicants eligible to be admitted in terms of the provisions of paragraph (1) of byelaw 3 is such that the total number of applicants to be admitted exceeds the number of places established by Senate, consideration shall first be given to:
- (a) the applicant's overall performance in all subjects presented for the award of the Matriculation Certificate. This shall be determined from the sum of points allocated for each subject, which shall be assigned as follows:

	Advanced Level	Intermediate Level
Grade A	30 points	10 points
Grade B	24 points	8 points
Grade C	18 points	6 points
Grade D	12 points	4 points
Grade E	6 points	2 points

- (b) if this is not sufficient, the remaining eligible applicants shall be interviewed by an Interviewing Board appointed by the Board for the purpose, in order to fill the remaining places.
- (6) If the maximum number of students is not reached following the September Session of examinations preceding the commencement of the Course, the remaining applicants who possess a grade D instead of a grade C in the primary subject, shall be considered after the selection of applicants in terms of the provisions of paragraphs (1)(c) and (4) of bye-law 3 are completed. These applicants shall be selected from amongst all eligible applicants according to the following categories, listed in order of preference:

12th Category: those with a 'D' in the primary subject and an 'A' in the secondary subject
13th Category: those with a 'D' in the primary subject and a 'B' in the secondary subject
14th Category: those with a 'D' in the primary subject and a 'C' in the secondary subject
15th Category: those with a 'D' in the primary subject and a 'D' in the secondary subject
16th Category: those with a 'D' in the primary subject and an 'E' in the secondary subject