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**EDUCATION ACT  
(CAP. 327)**

**Bye-Laws of 2011 in terms of the  
General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004  
for the Degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Earth Systems –  
B.Sc. (Hons) -  
under the auspices of the Institute of Earth Systems**

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 of Earth Systems in virtue of the powers conferred upon it by article

8 (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 2011 in terms of the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2019 for the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Earth Systems - B.Sc. (Hons), under the auspices of the Institute of Earth Systems.

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

"the Board" means the Board of the Institute of Earth Systems;

"the Course" means the programme of study leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Earth Systems - B.Sc. (Hons);

"the Degree" means the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Earth Systems - B.Sc. (Hons);

"the Diploma" means the Diploma in Earth Systems;

<b>Applicable from 15 May, 2021 onwards:</b>
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"the Higher Diploma" means the Higher Diploma in Earth Systems; and
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"the Principal Regulations" means the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2019.

### **Applicability**

2. These bye-laws shall be applicable for courses commencing in October 2011 or later.

### **Special Course Requirements for Admission**

3. 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 an Intermediate Level pass at grade C or better in at least one of the following subjects: Environmental Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics (Mechanics), Geography and Sociology.

### **Course Duration**

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

### **Programme of Study**

5. The Board shall publish the programme of study before the commencement of each Course. Subject to changes that the Board 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.

6. Students shall be required to register and pass in study-units to which a total of 180 credits are assigned.

7. Students who successfully complete study-units to which not less than 60 credits are assigned and opt not to proceed with the Course or, having proceeded, do not successfully complete the Course, shall be entitled to the Diploma.

### **Applicable from 15 May, 2021 onwards:**

8. Students who successfully complete study-units to which not less than 120 credits are assigned and opt not to proceed with the Course or, having proceeded, do not successfully complete the Course, shall be entitled to the Higher Diploma.

## **Classification of the Awards**

9. For the purpose of the classification of the Diploma and the Degree, the overall evaluation of each student's performance in the Course shall be based on the results obtained in all the study-units of each programme as appropriate, with all credits awarded being weighted equally.

### **Applicable as from 15 May, 2021 onwards:**

9. (1) For the purpose of the classification of the Diploma and the Higher Diploma, the overall evaluation of each student's performance in the Course shall be based on the results obtained in all the study-units of each programme as appropriate, with all credits awarded being weighted equally.

### **Applicable for courses commencing in October 2021 or later:**

(2) For the purpose of the classification of the Degree, the overall evaluation of the performance of every student in the Course shall be based on the results obtained in all the study-units of the three years of the course, which shall be weighted as follows:

First Year Average Mark	30%
Second Year Average Mark	35%
Third Year Average Mark	35%.