L.N. 298 of 2005

EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)

Bye-Laws of 2005 for the Selection of Applicants for Admission to the Preparatory Course for the Diploma in Health Science Course under the auspices of the Institute of Health Care

IN exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 30(5) and 31(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 Health Care in virtue of the powers conferred upon it by section 37 (1) of the said Act and which have been approved by the Senate of the University of Malta as required by section 37 (2) of the said Act:

Applicability

1. These bye-laws shall apply to courses commencing in October 2005 or later.

Selection of Applicants

2. Whenever the number of students that may be admitted to any or all of the areas of study is limited by Senate in terms of the provisions of bye-law 9 of the Bye-Laws of 2005 in terms of the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004 for the Diploma in Health Science, and the number of eligible applicants exceeds the number of places in the course, the selection of applicants shall be made according to the criteria listed in bye-law 3.

Criteria for Selection

3. (1) Applicants who satisfy the entry requirements as laid down in the bye-laws for the course shall be awarded points for their qualifications in Maltese, English Language, Mathematics, one Science subject and the best result in two other subjects, obtained in any of the indicated levels, provided that holders of the BTEC National Diploma in Health Studies shall be considered to satisfy the entry requirements for the course if they are also in possession of SEC passes in Maltese, English Language, Mathematics and one Science subject and they shall be awarded points for the four required SEC level passes and for the BTEC National Diploma in Health Studies.

Points shall be awarded as follows:

Points	Grade at Advanced Level	Grade at Intermediate Level	BTEC National Diploma in Health Studies (Overall Grade)	Grade at SEC Level	Grade at GCE Ordinary Level	Grade from Prevocational School
30	A					
24	B					
24			Distinction			
18	C					
16			Merit			
12	D					
12			Pass			
10		A				
8		B		1		
6	E	C		2	A	A
5				3		
4				4	B	B
3				5	C	C

For 2005 ONLY, applicants wishing to choose Nursing Studies as their area of study and who successfully completed the course and were awarded the Mother Theresa College (Health Care) Certificate with at least a Pass will be awarded an additional 35 points.

(2) If applicants present more than one pass in a subject, only the best grade shall be taken into consideration. Subjects may only be offered at one level.

(3) For the purpose of selection, only qualifications obtained by 31st August preceding the commencement of the course shall be taken into consideration.

(4) If the applicants falling in the last eligible group with the same number of points is such that the total number of applicants to be admitted exceeds the number of places established by Senate, then the applicants in that group shall be interviewed by an *ad hoc* Admissions Board appointed by Senate in order to fill the remaining place/s. The *ad hoc* Admissions Board may consider additional qualifications to those indicated in paragraph (1) of bye-law 3.

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