

L.N. 48 of 1998

**EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)**

Diploma in Planning Studies, Course Regulations, 1998

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 regulations made by the Senate of the University of Malta by virtue of the powers conferred upon it by sections 31 and 35 of the said Act:

Citation and interpretation

1. (1) These regulations may be cited as the Diploma in Planning Studies, Course Regulations, 1998.

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

"the Diploma" means the Diploma in Planning Studies;

"the Board" means the Faculty Board of Architecture and Civil Engineering.

Applicability

2. These regulations shall apply to courses for the Diploma starting in October 1995 or later.

Eligibility

3. To be eligible for the award of the Diploma a candidate shall have:

(a) registered for and successfully completed the course of studies in Planning Studies as provided in these regulations;

(b) completed the appropriate study programme and satisfied any other requirements prescribed in these regulations; and

(c) complied with any other requirements prescribed in any other relevant statutes and regulations of the University.

Registration and special Course requirements

4. A candidate may register for the course of studies leading to the Diploma if he is eligible for admission to the University in accordance with the Admission Regulations of the University.

Duration of Course

5. (1) The Course shall extend over a period of one academic year of full-time study or- two academic years of part-time study.

(2) Extensions may be allowed by the Board on the recommendation of the Board of Studies.

(3) A candidate may not complete the Course in less than two years or more than three years from first registration, except in special circumstances with the permission of Senate, acting on the advice of the Board.

Course of Studies

6. (1) The Course shall consist of study-units, to which not less than 26 credits shall be assigned, in the following modules:

- Plan Making Process
- Methods and Techniques
- Implementation Project
- Environmental Issues and Consequences
- Theories of Welfare and Spatial Development
- Development Process
- Planning History and the Economic, Social, Political and Legal Context
- Europe/The Mediterranean and the Built Environment
- Planning Policies Project
- Economic Theory and Policy

Integrative Assignments

(2) Study-units may include lectures, workshops, seminars, tutorials, projects and field study visits or combinations thereof as determined by the Board, acting on the advice of the Board of Studies.

(3) A catalogue of study-units, which shall give details of the study-units, the method of assessment and the number of credits assigned to each study-unit, shall be determined by the Board, acting on the advice of the Board of Studies and published before the commencement of the Course.

Assessment

7. (1) Study-units may be assessed either by coursework or examination (written or oral) or a combination of these as appropriate and as determined by the Faculty Board, acting on the advice of the Board of Studies.

(2) Credits shall be assigned according to the following grades in descending order of merit: A, B, C, D and F, where F indicates Fail.

(3) A candidate who fails to obtain a credit for a study-unit shall normally be allowed to take one resit only. If a resit is taken the grade awarded shall be D or F.

Final Examinations

8. (1) The Final Examinations shall consist of seven papers.

(2) If a candidate fails in one or more papers he may be allowed by the Board, acting on the advice of the Board of Studies, to re-sit the paper or papers on one further occasion only.

Final result

9. (1) The final result shall take account of the candidate's performance in coursework and in the Final Examinations in the following proportion:

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Coursework	70%
Final Examinations	30%

(2) The names of successful candidates shall be published in alphabetical order in the following categories:

Passed with Distinction
Passed.