L.N. 96 of 1998

EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)

Diploma in Health Science - Dip. Health Science - Course (Amendment) 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

1. These regulations may be cited as the Diploma in Health Science - Dip. Health Science - Course (Amendment) Regulations, 1998 and shall be read and construed as one with the Diploma in Health Science - Dip. Health Science - Course Regulations, 1995, hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations".

Applicability

2. (1) Regulations 3, 4, 7, 8, 9 and 11 shall apply from 25th April 1996 onwards.

(2) Regulation 10 shall apply from 15th April 1997 onwards.

(3) Regulations 5 and 6 shall apply from 16th January 1998 onwards.

Amendment of regulation 9 of the principal regulations

3. For paragraph (1) of regulation 9 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

"9. (1) To complete the Foundation Programme successfully and continue the Course, the student shall obtain the following:

(a) a pass grade in the theoretical modules with an average grade of C;

(b) a pass grade in all practical modules; and

(c) a pass at Grade C or higher in the Foundation Programme Comprehensive Examination."

Amendment of regulation 15 of the principal regulations

4. For paragraph (1) of regulation 15 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

"15. (1) To complete the Course, a student shall have:

(a) successfully completed the Foundation Programme;

(b) obtained the credit certificates for all professional, theoretical and diploma credits listed for the relevant Health Science in the Second Schedule to these regulations; and

(c) obtained the theoretical and practical credits in the relevant Health Science as from time to time may be required to comply with European Union Directives."

Amendment of regulation 17 of the principal regulations

5. For paragraph (1) of regulation 17 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

"17. The names of students who qualify for the award of the Diploma shall be published in three categories (Distinction, Credit and Pass) in alphabetical order of names."

6. Paragraph (2) of regulation 17 of the principal regulations shall be deleted.

Amendment of First Schedule - Health Sciences of the principal regulations

7. For the **First Schedule - Health Sciences** of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

"The Diploma may be awarded in one of the following areas of study:

(a) Dental Technology
(b) Environmental Health
(c) Medical Laboratory Science
(d) Occupational Therapy
(e) Physiotherapy
(f) Radiography
(g) Podiatry"

Amendment of Second Schedule - Number of Credits in Diploma Programme - Professional Studies of the principal regulations

8. For the **Second Schedule - Number of Credits in Diploma Programme - Professional Studies** of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

"Number of Theoretical Credits

(a) Dental Technology	20
(b) Environmental Health	14
(c) Medical Laboratory Science	18
(d) Occupational Therapy	18
(e) Physiotherapy	18
(f) Radiography	13
(g) Podiatry	12,

provided that the number of theoretical credits in Medical Laboratory Science shall be 19 from 18th January 1997 onwards.

Number of Practical Credits

(a) Dental Technology	24
(b) Environmental Health	14
(c) Medical Laboratory Science	20
(d) Occupational Therapy	14
(e) Physiotherapy	14
(f) Radiography	18
(g) Podiatry	15,

provided that the number of practical credits in Medical Laboratory Science shall be 25 from 18th January 1997 onwards.

Diploma Studies

(a) Dental Technology	14
(b) Environmental Health	17
(c) Medical Laboratory Science	14
(d) Occupational Therapy	14
(e) Physiotherapy	14
(f) Radiography	18
(g) Podiatry	15,

provided that the number of diploma studies credits in Medical Laboratory Science shall be 12 from 18th January 1997 onwards."

Amendment of Third Schedule - Final Comprehensive Examination of the principal regulations

9. For paragraphs (c), (d) and (e) of the **Third Schedule - Final Comprehensive Examination** of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

"(c) **Medical Laboratory Science**

Paper I:	Theory and Practice of Clinical Chemistry
Paper II:	Theory and Practice of Hematology and Transfusion Medicine
Paper III:	Theory and Practice of Immunology
Paper IV:	Theory and Practice of Microbiology
Paper V:	Theory and Practice of Cellular Pathology
Special Project,	

provided that the Final Comprehensive Examination shall consist of the following from 18th January 1997 onwards:

Paper I:	Clinical Chemistry
Paper II:	Hematology and Transfusion Medicine
Paper III:	Immunology
Paper IV:	Microbiology

Paper V:	Cellular Pathology
Special Project	

(d) **Occupational Therapy**

Paper I:	Theory of Physical Dysfunction I
Paper II:	Theory of Physical Dysfunction II
Paper III:	Theory of Psychosocial Dysfunction
Special Project	

(e) **Physiotherapy**

Paper I:	Practice of Physiotherapy
Paper II:	Theory of Physiotherapy
Clinical Assessment:	Treatment and *viva voce* examination
Special Project"	

10. For paragraph (f) of the **Third Schedule - Final Comprehensive Examination** of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

"(f) **Radiography**

(i) three written examination papers as follows:

Paper I:	Principles and Practice of Radiography - Applied Imaging
Paper II:	Principles and Practice of Radiography - Imaging Physics
Paper III:	Radiography Professional Development - Research, Quality Assurance and Developments in Imaging

(ii) Special Project: A project of not less than 5000 words on an approved subject

(iii) Clinical practice examination."

11. There shall be added the following paragraph (g) to the **Third Schedule - Final Comprehensive Examination** of the principal regulations:

"(g) **Podiatry**

Paper I:	Podology and Therapeutics
Paper II:	Practice of Podiatry
Special Project,	

provided that the Final Comprehensive Examination shall consist of the following from 6th March 1998 onwards:

Paper I:	Podology
Paper II:	Therapeutics
Special Project	
Clinical Examination."	