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EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)

Regulations for the Selection of Applicants for Admission to the Bachelor of Dental Surgery - B.Ch.D. - Degree Course, 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:

Applicability

1. These regulations shall apply to the course leading to the degree of Bachelor of Dental Surgery - B.Ch.D. - commencing in October 1998.

Selection of Applicants

2. The number of students that may be admitted to the course shall be limited as provided in terms of the provisions of these regulations.

3. The number of students shall be limited to twelve Maltese students,

provided that if the number of applicants falling in the last category of applicants eligible to be admitted in terms of the provisions of paragraph 6 of regulation 6 is such that the total number of applicants to be admitted exceeds twelve, then all the applicants in that category shall be admitted to the course notwithstanding the limitation on numbers established in this regulation.

4. In order to be admitted into the course applicants must satisfy the requirements for registration as regular students of the University as specified in the Admission Regulations and any other requirements for admission to the course as specified in all the regulations for the course.

5. If there are more than twelve eligible applicants, the best twelve applicants shall be selected by the University Admissions Board, after seeking the advice of the Admissions Committee of the Faculty of Dental Surgery, in

accordance with the criteria for selection as specified in paragraph (6) of Regulation 6.

Criteria for Selection

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

(a) Chemistry at Advanced Level and Biology at Advanced Level, hereafter referred to as the primary subjects; and

(b) Physics, at either Advanced or Intermediate Level, hereafter referred to as the secondary subject.

(2) A grade obtained in the secondary subject taken at Advanced Level, shall, for the purpose of selection, be given the same value as the same grade obtained in the secondary subject at Intermediate Level.

(3) An applicant in possession of the General Entry Requirements, may offer passes 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.

(4) When an applicant presents more than one pass in the same subject, the best grade shall be taken into consideration.

(5) For the purpose of selection, a pass obtained in a session of examinations which is held after the results of a previous session were published, is deemed to be a pass obtained in a session that is distinct from the previous one. This regulation shall also apply to the supplementary session of the Matriculation Certificate Examination offered by the MATSEC Board of the University of Malta according to the provisions of the Matriculation Certificate Regulations and this notwithstanding any other regulation governing the award of the Matriculation Certificate.

(6) The twelve applicants shall be selected from amongst all eligible Maltese 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 obtained in one session
2nd Category:	those with 2 'A's in the primary subjects and a 'B' in the secondary subject obtained in one session
3rd Category:	those with 2 'A's in the primary subjects and a 'C' in the secondary subject obtained in one session
and	those with 1 'A' and 1 'B' in the primary subjects and an 'A' in the secondary subject obtained in one session
and	those with 1'A' and 1 'B' in the primary subjects and a 'B' in the secondary subject obtained in one session
4th Category:	those with 1 'A' and 1 'B' in the primary subjects and a 'C' in the secondary subject obtained in one session
and	those with 2 'B's in the primary subjects and an 'A' in the secondary subject obtained in one session
and	those with 2 'B's in the primary subjects and a 'B' in the secondary subject obtained in one session
5th Category:	those with 2 'A's in the primary subjects and an 'A' in the secondary subject obtained in two sessions
and	those with 2 'A's in the primary subjects and a 'B' in the secondary subject obtained in two sessions
6th Category:	those with 2 'A's in the primary subjects and a 'C' in the secondary subject obtained in two sessions
and	those with 1 'A' and 1 'B' in the primary subjects and an 'A' in the secondary subject obtained in two sessions
and	those with 1 'A' and 1 'B' in the primary subjects and a 'B' in the secondary subject obtained in two sessions

7th Category: those with 2 'B's in the primary subjects and a 'C' in the secondary subject obtained in one session

8th Category: those with 1'A' and 1 'B' in the primary subjects and a 'C' in the secondary subject obtained in two sessions

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

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

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

(7) If there are fewer than twelve eligible Maltese applicants in possession of the qualifications up to the 9th category, all these shall be admitted and the Admissions Board shall admit the balance after taking into account globally the overall grade of the Matriculation Certificate, the grades obtained in the primary subjects and in the secondary subject taken at Advanced Level and/or at Intermediate Level and the number of sessions in which these have been obtained.