L.N. 137 of 1996

EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)

Diploma in Youth Studies — Dip. Youth St. — and Bachelor of Arts Degree in Youth and Community Studies — B.A. — Course Regulations, 1996

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 Youth Studies — Dip. Youth St. — and Bachelor of Arts Degree in Youth and Community Studies — B.A. — Course Regulations, 1996.

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

"the Course" means the Course leading to the Diploma and/or the Degree;

"the Degree' means the Bachelor of Arts in Youth and Community Studies;

"the Diploma" means the Diploma in Youth Studies.

Applicability

2. These regulations shall apply to courses starting in October 1993 or later.

Eligibility

3. To be eligible for the award of the Diploma, candidates shall have:

(a) been registered as regular students;

(b) completed the course of studies, passed the Final Examinations and satisfied any other requirements prescribed in these regulations;

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

(2) To be eligible for the award of the Degree, a candidate shall:

(a) satisfy the eligibility requirements for the award of the Diploma;

(b) register for the Degree Course after the end of the Diploma Course; and

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

Registration

4. (1) Candidates may be registered at the Institute of Youth Studies for a course of studies leading to the Diploma or a Certificate in Youth Studies according to the provisions of these regulations if they are eligible for admission to the University as regular students in terms of the Admission Regulations of the University.

(2) A candidate may be registered for the Degree if he has obtained at least a Pass in the Diploma Course.

(3) A candidate who registers for the Degree shall forfeit the award of the Diploma if he opts to proceed with the Course leading to the Degree.

(4) Candidates who fail to complete the Course for the Degree shall be awarded the Diploma, provided that such candidates have completed successfully all the compulsory units for the first two calendar years, obtained the minimum of twenty-five credits and passed the Final Examination required at this stage.

THE DIPLOMA COURSE

Course Programme

5. (1) The course of studies leading to the Diploma shall extend over a period of two calendar years part-time study.

(2) The course of studies for the Diploma shall consist of study-units, to which not less than thirty credits shall be assigned, in the following modules:

Module A: Principles of Youth Work
Module B: Skills Training
Module C: Thematic Studies
Module D: Practical
Module E: Research Project

(3) A catalogue of study-units in each module, with the credits assigned to each, shall be published before the start of each course.

(4) In order to be eligible for the award of the Diploma, candidates shall obtain at least twenty-five credits including credits in the compulsory units over the period of two calendar years and passed the Final Examination.

(5) Candidates may terminate the Course after one calendar year in which case a Certificate in Youth Studies shall be awarded, provided that such candidates have completed successfully all the compulsory units for the first calendar year and obtained a minimum of twelve credits.

Assessment

6. (1) Credits shall be assigned according to the following grades in descending order of merit: A, B, C, D and F, where F signifies a failure.

(2) Candidates who fail a study-unit shall be allowed to take a re-sit in that unit once only. Credits obtained following a re-sit shall carry the minimum pass grade.

Final Examination

7. (1) Candidates who have obtained the minimum number of credits as indicated in paragraph (4) of regulation 5 shall be allowed to sit for the Final Examination.

(2) The Final Examination shall be held at the end of the Course, normally in June/July, and shall consist of two synoptic papers.

(3) Candidates who fail the Final Examinations shall be allowed to take a re-sit once within a period of twelve months from the end of the Course. In such cases, the highest grade awarded shall be the minimum pass grade.

Final Results

8. (1) The Final Results of a candidate take into account his performance in all the components of the Course.

(2) In the Final Results for the Diploma the names of successful candidates shall be published in alphabetical order in the following categories: Pass with Distinction and Pass.

THE DEGREE COURSE

Progress

9. (1) On registration for the Degree a candidate shall be required to complete the course of studies which shall extend over a period of three years part-time study.

(2) The course of studies shall consist of study-units, to which another forty credits shall be assigned, in the following modules:

Module F: Foundation Studies
Module G: Critical Issues
Module H: Professional Studies
Module I: Dissertation
Module J: Practical

(3) A catalogue of study-units in each module, with the credits assigned to each, shall be published before the start of the Course.

(4) In order to be eligible for the award of the Degree, candidates shall obtain at least sixty-five credits over the period of five years.

Assessment

10. (1) Credits shall be assigned according to the following grades in descending order of merit: A, B, C, D and F, where F signifies a failure.

(2) Candidates who fail a study-unit shall be allowed to take a re-sit in that unit once only Credits obtained following a re-sit shall carry the minimum pass grade.

Final Examination

11. (1) Candidates who have obtained the minimum number of credits as indicated in paragraph (4) of regulation 9 shall be allowed to sit for the Final Examination.

(2) The Final Examination shall be held at the end of the Course, normally in June/July.

(3) Candidates who fail the Final Examination shall be allowed to take a re-sit once within a period of twelve months from the end of the Course. In such cases the highest grade awarded shall be the minimum pass grade.

Final Results

12. (1) The Final Results of a candidate shall take into account his performance in all the components of the Course.

(2) In the Final Results for the Degree the names of successful candidates shall be published in alphabetical order in the following categories: I, IIA, IIB, III and Pass.

Administration

13. The academic administration of the Course shall be entrusted to the Board of Studies appointed by Senate on the recommendation of the Board of the Institute of Youth Studies.

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