

L.N. 34 of 2012

**EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)**

General University Undergraduate Awards (Amendment) Regulations, 2012

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred upon him by articles 74 (5) and 75 (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 articles 75 and 79 of the said Act:

Citation

1. These regulations may be cited as the General University Undergraduate Awards (Amendment) Regulations, 2012 and shall be read and construed as one with the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004, published as Legal Notice 127 of 2004, hereinafter referred to as “the principal regulations”.

Applicability

2. These regulations shall be applicable from 28th October, 2011 onwards.

Amendment to regulation 44 of the principal regulations

3. For regulation 44 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

“44. (1) The Final Weighted Average Mark that shall be used to classify the award shall be calculated by weighting each Year Average Mark by the corresponding factor for the year as indicated in the bye-laws for the Course in terms of regulation 76 (b) and the average shall be recorded correct to the nearest whole number.

(2) The Final Weighted Average Mark for the Bachelor in General Studies (B.Gen. St.) degree shall be based on the results obtained in each year of the Course, all years being weighted equally.”

Amendment to regulation 74 of the principal regulations

4. For regulation 74 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

“74. When a student withdraws from a degree Course either by choice or because ineligible to proceed further in terms of these regulations, and unless the bye-laws for the Course provide for the granting of an interim award:

(a) if at least 60 credits have been obtained, the student shall be granted the Certificate in General Studies (Cert. Gen. St.);

(b) if at least 120 credits have been obtained, the student shall be granted the Diploma in General Studies (Dip. Gen. St.); and

(c) as from academic year 2010/11, if at least 180 credits have been obtained in the course in which the student is registered and in accordance with the definition of a Bachelor degree as in paragraph (4) of regulation 3, the student may request to be awarded the degree of Bachelor in General Studies (B.Gen. St.). Students who partially completed degree programmes prior to the academic year 2010/11 and who satisfy this regulation shall have the right to request, on entry into force of this regulation, to be awarded the degree of Bachelor in General Studies *ex gratia*, provided that this degree shall not be granted retroactively,

in all instances without reference to any Area of Study in the title of the award.”

Amendment to regulation 75 of the principal regulations

5. The following paragraph (6) shall be added after paragraph (5) of regulation 75 of the principal regulations:

“(6) A Bachelor in General Studies degree obtained in accordance with the provisions of regulation 74 (c) may be awarded in any of the following categories:

- Category I (Summa Cum Laude)
- Category IIA (Magna Cum Laude)
- Category IIB (Cum Laude)
- Category III (Bene Probatus).”

