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EDUCATION ACT, 1988

(ACT XXIV OF 1988)

**Statute 04 — The Matriculation and
Secondary Education Certificate Examinations**

IN exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 28 and 29 of the Education Act, 1988, the Pro-Chancellor of the University of Malta has promulgated the following Statute made by the Council of the University of Malta in virtue of the powers conferred upon it by section 31 of the said Act.

Citation

This Statute may be cited as Statute 04 — The Matriculation and Secondary Education Certificate Examinations.

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4.1 General

1. There shall be a Matriculation Examination held at two levels: Advanced (AM) and Intermediate (IM), and a Secondary Education Certificate (SEC) Examination.

2. In each year there shall be two sessions of the examinations.

3. The examinations shall be under the control of a Matriculation and Secondary Education Certificate Examinations Board (M & SEC Board) appointed in terms of paragraph 4.2(2) below.

4.2 The Matriculation and Secondary Education Certificate Examinations Board

1. The functions of the Matriculation and Secondary Education Certificate Examinations Board shall be:

(i) to make recommendations to Senate regarding regulations required for the proper conduct of the examinations;

(ii) to conduct the examinations in accordance with the regulations made by Senate;

(iii) to make recommendations to Senate regarding syllabuses, which would be prepared after consultation with curriculum experts, schools and the Department of Education;

(iv) to make recommendations to Senate regarding the appointment of Boards of Examiners;

(v) to submit to Senate a general report on the examinations held during the previous year;

(vi) to make recommendations to Senate on all matters related to these examinations and on matters referred to it by the Senate or other University boards;

(vii) to make recommendations to Senate and Council for the appointment of a Secretariat, with executive powers, which shall consist of an academic and an administrative division; and

(viii) to make recommendations to Council regarding appropriate funding, including provision for the Secretariat.

2. (a) The Matriculation and Secondary Education Certificate Examinations Board shall consist of nine members as follows:

(i) a Chairman (the Rector or his nominated deputy);

(ii) three members of the academic staff appointed by the Senate of the University;

(iii) three members from the Department of Education appointed by the Director of Education;

(iv) one member nominated by and from the members of the Private Schools Association;

(v) the Registrar.

(b) The Secretary of the Board shall be the Registrar or his nominated deputy;

(c) The number of members required to form a quorum shall be five;

(d) A Vice-Chairman shall be appointed by the Matriculation and Secondary Education Certificate Examinations Board from among the members appointed in terms of 2(a) (iii) above;

(e) Members shall be appointed for a term of three years:

Provided that the first three members appointed under 2(a) (ii) or under 2(a) (iii) above shall be so appointed one for a term of two years, one for a term of three years and the other for a term of four years:

Provided further that if a member appointed under 2(a) (ii) or 2(a) (iii) above resigns, the person appointed to fill the vacancy created shall hold office for the remainder of the term of the member he replaces.

4.3 Regulations and Syllabuses

1. Regulations made by Senate for the examinations leading to the Matriculation and Secondary Education certificates and the syllabuses for each subject shall normally be published each year and at least two years before the date of the examination to which they refer.

Transitory Provision

T1. The Matriculation and Secondary Education Certificate Examinations Board shall be responsible for the Matriculation and School Leaving Examinations to be held in 1990 and 1991, regulations for which have already been made by the Senate.