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Regulations for the Diploma in Labour Studies

IN exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 28(5) and 29(6) of the Education Act, 1988, the Chancellor of the University of Malta has promulgated the following regulations made by the Senate of the University of Malta in virtue of the powers conferred upon it by Section 33 of the said Act.

Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the Regulations for the Diploma in Labour Studies, and are applicable to the courses starting in February 1987 or later.

REGULATIONS FOR THE DIPLOMA IN LABOUR STUDIES

(Applicable to courses starting in February 1987 or later)

1.0 Registration

1.1 A candidate is eligible to apply for registration as a student for the Diploma in Labour Studies:

either (a) as a regular student of the University

or (b) as a probationary student in terms of Regulation 3 of the Admission Regulations of the University.

1.1.1 A candidate who is registered as a probationary student will become eligible for registration as a regular student of the University on the successful completion of the study-units in Basic Disciplines (Level 1) as indicated in regulation 2.5 hereunder.

1.2 A candidate who applies for registration may be required to attend an interview conducted by the Department of Public Policy during which the existence of the aptitudes for Labour Studies will be assessed.

2.0 Course of Studies

2.1 The course of studies for the Diploma in Labour Studies consists of:

(a) Study-units for which not less than 20 credits are assigned,

(b) Dissertation, and

(c) Final Examinations.

2.2 The course is only offered on a part-time basis.

2.3 A catalogue of study-units, with the credits assigned to each unit, will be published before the start of each semester.

2.4 Some study-units may be indicated as optional.

2.5 The study units of the Course for the Diploma in Labour Studies are the following:

Level I. Basic Disciplines

Economics
Sociology
Psychology
Political Science

Level II. Core Programme

Labour and Trade Union History
Sociology of Work and Organisations
Organisational Psychology
Industrial Law
Industrial Relations
Workers' Participation and Self-Management
International Labour Perspectives
Management of Human Resources

Level III. Policy Issues and Skills

* Leadership and Communication
* Cooperative Managerial Skills
* Social Accounting
* Labour Statistics
* Trade Unionism and Bargaining Skills
* Socio-Economic Development Policy
* Women at Work and Society
* Labour, Unemployment and New Technology

Synthesizing Exercise

2.6 Some study units may also involve guided field work. Candidates may be required to submit written reports on their field work and this will be considered as an essential component of the course for which credits are assigned.

2.7 In each semester of the course, candidates will be assessed in the study-units covered during that semester in accordance with the criteria established by the Faculty Board.

2.8 A student who fails in any study-unit may be allowed to repeat the assessment procedure of that study-unit, or to repeat the entire study-unit. A student may only be allowed to repeat once each of the study units. In each of these cases the maximum grade a student can obtain is a 'Pass'.

2.9 The study-units will be arranged so that a course of studies can be completed within a minimum period of three years and a maximum of five years of part-time studies.

* Indicates optional study-units

2.9.1 In extraordinary circumstances, provided that due warning has been given, the Co-ordinator of the Diploma course may recommend to the Faculty Board the termination of a student's status if, on the basis of reports given by the lecturers involved, the co-ordinator is not satisfied that the student is making the expected progress.

3.0 **Dissertation**

3.1 Each candidate will be required to write a dissertation of approximately 10,000 words in an approved area of study.

3.2 The dissertation must be submitted for examination two calendar months prior to the end of the Final Examinations.

3.3 The dissertation must adhere to the criteria established by the Faculty Board.

4.0 **Final Examinations**

4.1 Final, written, comprehensive examinations will be held at the end of the course. Only candidates who have obtained at least 20 credits will be admitted to the examinations.

4.2 The final grade (Distinction, Merit, Pass, Fail) will be based on course work, dissertation, and Final Examinations in the following proportions: Course work 40%; Dissertation 20%; Final Examinations 40%. A candidate will not be awarded the Diploma unless he obtains a Pass in each of the Course work, Dissertation and Final Examinations.

4.3 Candidates may also be required to sit for a *viva-voce* examination.

5.0 **Eligibility**

5.1 To be eligible for the award of the Diploma in Labour Studies a candidate must have:

(a) completed the appropriate studies (course work and dissertation) in Labour Studies; and

(b) passed all the prescribed examinations; and

(c) completed all the requirements laid in these regulations.

6.0 **Application**

6.1 These regulations shall apply to courses starting in February 1987 or later.

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