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L.N. 250 of 2021

EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)

Bye-Laws of 2021 to amend the Bye-Laws of 2014 in terms of the General Regulations for University Postgraduate Awards, 2021 for the Degree of Master of Arts - M.A. - under the auspices of the Faculty of Economics, Management and Accountancy

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 bye-laws made by the Board of the Faculty of Economics, Management and Accountancy in virtue of the powers conferred upon it by article 81 (1) (c) of the said Act and which have been approved by the Senate of the University of Malta as required by article 81 (2) of the said Act:

Citation

1. These bye-laws may be cited as the Bye-Laws of 2021 to amend the Bye-Laws of 2014 in terms of the General Regulations for University Postgraduate Awards, 2021 for the Degree of Master of Arts - M.A. - and shall be read and construed as one with the Bye-Laws of 2014 in terms of the General Regulations for University Postgraduate Awards, 2021 for the Degree of Master of Arts - M.A. - under the auspices of the Faculty of Economics, Management and Accountancy, published as Legal Notice 367 of 2014, hereinafter referred to as "the principal bye-laws".

Applicability

2. These bye-laws shall be applicable for courses commencing in October 2021 onwards.

Amendment to bye-law 1 of the principal bye-laws

3. For paragraph (2) of bye-law 1 of the principal bye-laws there shall be substituted the following:

"(2) In these bye-laws, unless the context otherwise requires –

"the Board" means the Board of the Faculty of Economics, Management and Accountancy;

"the Board of Studies" means the Board of Studies appointed by Senate for the Course/area of study, on the recommendation of the Board;

"the Course" means the programme of study leading to the degree of Master of Arts - M.A.;

"the Degree" means the degree of Master of Arts - M.A.;

"the Postgraduate Certificate" means the Postgraduate Certificate in the relevant area of study - P.G. Cert.; and

"the Principal Regulations" means the General Regulations for University Postgraduate Awards, 2021."

Amendment to bye-law 4 of the principal bye-laws

4. For bye-law 4 of the principal bye-laws which there shall be substituted the following:

"Requirements for Admission

4. (1) The Course shall be open to applicants in possession of a first cycle degree obtained with at least Second Class Honours or Category II in an area of study deemed relevant by the Board of Studies responsible for the area of study applied for. Applicants in possession of a degree with Third Class Honours or Category III may also be considered provided that the programme of study they will be following comprises not less than 30 ECTS credits for taught study-units.

(2) Applicants in possession of the degree with Third Class Honours or Category III shall satisfy the Board of Studies that they are in possession of other qualifications, including relevant experience. Such applicants shall be allowed to proceed to the research component subject to the attainment of an average mark of at least 55% in the taught component.

(3) Applicants in possession of a qualification deemed by Senate, on the recommendation of the relevant Board of Studies, to be comparable to the qualifications listed in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this bye-law, may also be considered: provided that, in appropriate cases, where applicants lack essential knowledge in the area of study, the Board of Studies may require students admitted to the Course to follow and pass supplementary study-unit/s in the said area to which a maximum of 12 ECTS credits are assigned, in addition to the programme of study specified in bye-law 6 of these bye-laws.

(4) Applicants in possession of the Postgraduate Certificate in Evidence-Based Management and Effective Decision Making may be allowed to join the research component of the Course in Management, if they successfully complete the Postgraduate Certificate programme with a minimum average mark of 55%: provided that such applicants may be required to follow and pass the supplementary study-units referred to in paragraph (3) of this bye-law.

(5) The admission of applicants may be made conditional on the result of an interview conducted for the purpose.

(6) Interviews, if necessary, shall be conducted by a board composed of at least three members appointed by the Board for the purpose."

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