L.N. 290 of 2021

EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)

Regulations of 2021 to amend the Regulations of 2014 for the Selection of Applicants for Admission to the Master of Dental Surgery - M.D.S. - Degree Course

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 sections 75 (3) and 79 (b) of the said Act:

Citation

1. These regulations may be cited as the Regulations of 2021 to amend the Regulations of 2014 for the Selection of Applicants for Admission to the Master of Dental Surgery - M.D.S. - Degree Course and shall be read and construed as one with the Regulations for the Selection of Applicants for Admission to the Master of Dental Surgery - M.D.S. - Degree Course, 2014, published as Legal Notice 102 of 2014, hereinafter referred to as the "principal regulations".

Applicability

2. These regulations shall be applicable for courses commencing in October 2021 or later.

Amendment to regulation 4 of the principal regulations

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

"4. The number of students shall be limited to fifteen Maltese and other EU/EEA nationals, three non-EU/EEA nationals and two for holders of the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Dental Hygiene or Dental Technology."

Amendment to regulation 6 of the principal regulations

4. For regulation 6 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

"6. (1) If there are more than fifteen eligible applicants of Maltese and other EU/EEA states nationality, the best fifteen applicants shall be selected by the University Admissions Board, after seeking the advice of the Admissions Committee of the Faculty of Dental Surgery, in accordance with the criteria for selection as specified in regulation 7.

(2) If there are more than three eligible applicants of non-EU/EEA nationality, the best three applicants shall be selected as indicated in paragraph (6) of regulation 7.

(3) If there are more than two eligible applicants of holders of the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Dental Hygiene or Dental Technology, the best two applicants shall be selected as indicated in regulation 8."

Amendment to regulation 7 of the principal regulations

5. For paragraphs (6) and (7) of regulation 7 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

"(6) The three places reserved for non-EU/EEA applicants in terms of regulation 4 of these regulations shall be filled on the recommendation of the Faculty Admissions Committee, which shall first consider applicants who successfully complete the course leading to the Certificate in Foundation Studies (Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences).

(7) (a) If there are more than three eligible applicants from the Foundation Studies Programme by the end of the June examination session, the best three applicants shall be chosen based on their academic ranking within this Programme, and on an interview (including a manual dexterity test) which shall be held in July.

(b) If there are less than three eligible applicants from the Foundation Studies Programme by the end of the June examination session, other eligible applicants from non-EU/EEA countries shall be considered and selection shall be based on their academic ranking and on an interview (including a manual dexterity test) which shall be held in July or later.

(c) Applicants successful in terms of sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of this regulation shall be classified in order of merit so that the three places can be filled. Successful applicants shall be expected to comply with the Occupational Health Protocol."

Addition of regulation 8 to the principal regulations

6. The following regulation 8 shall be added after regulation 7 of the principal regulations:

"8. The two places reserved for holders of the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Dental Hygiene or Dental Technology in terms of regulation 4 of these regulations shall be filled on the recommendation of the Faculty Admissions Committee. Selection of these applicants shall be based on the final average mark obtained in the Bachelor degree and an interview conducted for the purpose."

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