

L.N. 92 of 2023**EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)****University Postgraduate Awards (Amendment) Regulations, 2023**

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

Citation

1. These regulations may be cited as the University Postgraduate Awards (Amendment) Regulations, 2023 and shall be read and construed as one with the General Regulations for University Postgraduate Awards, published as Legal Notice 371 of 2021, hereinafter referred to as “the principal regulations”.

Applicability

2. These regulations shall apply from 1st February, 2023 onwards.

Amendment to regulation 47 of the principal regulations

3. For regulation 47 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

47. (1) A failed taught Study-Unit may be re-assessed once only, except that, if a student, having sat for all the assessments and permitted re-assessments of all the taught study-units in the programme of studies, lacks a pass grade in either:

(i) only one taught compulsory study-unit; or

(ii) only one taught elective study-unit that cannot be substituted by an alternative study-unit in terms of regulations 50 (1), the student shall be allowed to refer that one taught study-unit to the following year or to an additional year of study, provided that a study-unit involving the assessment of professional practice, such as work placement or practicum shall not be deemed to be a taught study-unit for the purpose of this regulation.

(2) The maximum mark/grade that can be awarded in the re-assessment of any study-unit shall be 45% / Grade E. The maximum mark/grade that may be awarded to a referred Study-Unit is 45%/Grade E, both at the first attempt or at an eventual re-assessment.”

Amendment to regulation 49 of the principal regulations

4. For regulation 49 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

“49. Students who after re-assessment, either fail in a number of Elective Study-Units to which more than 12 credits are assigned, or subject to the exceptions laid down in paragraph (1) of regulation 47, fail in any Compulsory Study-Unit, shall be required to withdraw from the course.”

Amendment to regulation 58 of the principal regulations

5. For regulation 58 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

“58. Students registered on taught programmes extending over more than one Academic Year may only be allowed to refer Study-Units to a subsequent year as provided for in regulations 47 (1), 50 (1), 51 and 55. Such students shall be considered to have progressed conditionally.”

Amendment to regulation 60 of the principal regulations

6. For paragraph (6) of regulation 60 of the principal regulations there shall be substituted the following:

“(6) Students following a programme mainly by research shall not be allowed to submit the Dissertation before completing all taught Study-Units in the respective programme.”