L.N. 218 of 2024

EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)

Bye-Laws of 2024 in terms of the Doctor of Philosophy – Ph.D. – Degree Regulations, 2023 for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy – Ph.D. – under the auspices of the Centre for English Language Proficiency

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 Centre for English Language Proficiency in virtue of the powers conferred upon it by article 7(b)(v) of the Statute for the Centre and which have been approved by the Senate of the University of Malta:

Citation and Interpretation

1. (1) These bye-laws may be cited as the Bye-Laws of 2024 in terms of the Doctor of Philosophy – Ph.D. – Degree Regulations, 2023 for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy – Ph.D. – under the auspices of the Centre for English Language Proficiency.

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

"the Board" means the Board of the Centre for English Language Proficiency;

"the Centre" means the Centre for English Language Proficiency;

"the Degree" means the degree of Doctor of Philosophy – Ph.D.; and

"the Principal Regulations" means the Doctor of Philosophy – Ph.D. – Degree Regulations, 2023.

Applicability

2. These bye-laws shall be applicable from 1 October 2024 onwards.

Requirements for Admission

3. (1) Applicants for the Degree offered by the Centre shall be in possession of one of the following degrees:

(a) a Master's degree in the same area of study or in a related area; or

(b) a Bachelor's degree obtained with First Class Honours in the same area of study or in a related area.

(2) The Board may also consider applications from applicants with qualifications at Master's level or higher in another discipline and possessing experience or knowledge which, in the opinion of the Board, will enable them to pursue doctoral studies successfully.

4. Applicants may also be asked to demonstrate competence in those skills required by the nature of the proposed research.

Centre Doctoral Committee

5. The Board shall recommend to Senate the appointment of a Centre Doctoral Committee, composed as follows:

The Director of the Centre, or delegate, as Chair
3 members who shall be resident academics.

The Centre Doctoral Committee may co-opt other members from other Faculties/Institutes/Centres, possessing academic doctoral qualifications, if deemed necessary.

Taught Study-Units

6. When the Board deems it necessary, it may require students to successfully complete a number of study-units during the course of their studies, and/or to satisfactorily undertake tasks recommended by the Board, under those conditions that it may impose, after approval by Senate.

Thesis Presentation and Format

7. The Board shall approve and publish guidelines on the format and presentation of the thesis for the Degree.

Repeal

8. The Bye-Laws of 2016 in terms of the Doctor of Philosophy – Ph.D. – Degree Regulations, 2008, for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy – Ph.D. – under the auspices of the Centre for English Language Proficiency, published as Legal Notice 377 of 2016, shall be deemed to cease to be in force as from 1 October 2024.

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