

**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 Biomedical Cybernetics**

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred upon him by sections 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 Centre for Biomedical Cybernetics in virtue of the powers conferred upon it by article 6(b)(v) of the Statute for the Centre, which bye-laws 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 Biomedical Cybernetics.

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

"the Board" means the Board of the Centre for Biomedical Cybernetics;

"the Centre" means the Centre for Biomedical Cybernetics;

"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. Applicants for the Degree offered by the Centre shall be open to applicants in possession of one of the following qualifications:

(a) a Master's degree in an area of study relevant to that applied for; or

(b) the Master of Dental Surgery degree; or

(c) the Doctor of Medicine and Surgery degree; or

(d) a Bachelor's degree in an area of study relevant to that applied for, obtained at First Class Honours or Second Class Honours (Upper Division); or

(e) a qualification deemed by Senate, on the recommendation of the Board, to be equivalent or higher to the qualifications listed in paragraphs (a) to (d) of this bye-law.

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 and
3 members who shall be resident academics.

The Centre Doctoral Committee may co-opt other members from other Faculties/Institutes/Centres, 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 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 2015 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 Biomedical Cybernetics, published as Legal Notice 324 of 2015, shall be deemed to cease to be in force as from 1 October 2024.