

**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 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 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 Faculty of Economics, Management and Accountancy.

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

“the Board” means the Board of the Faculty of Economics, Management and Accountancy;

“the Degree” means the degree of Doctor of Philosophy – Ph.D.;

“the Faculty” means the Faculty of Economics, Management and Accountancy;
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 Faculty shall be in possession of one of the following degrees:

(a) a Master's degree of this or another university in one of the following areas of study: Accountancy, Banking, Economics, Finance, Insurance, Management, Marketing, Public Policy, Tourism or in a related area of study as approved by the Faculty Doctoral Committee; or

(b) the Master of Business Administration degree of this or another university awarded with at least Merit, provided that the Board may consider applications from applicants in possession of a Pass classification who also possess experience or knowledge which, in the opinion of the Board, enables them to successfully pursue doctoral studies; or

(c) a Bachelor's degree obtained with First Class Honours or Second Class Honours (Upper Division) of this or another university in the areas of Accountancy, Banking, Economics, Finance, Insurance, Management, Marketing, Public Policy, Tourism or in a related area of study as approved by the Faculty Doctoral Committee,

provided that in all cases mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c) of this bye-law, the Faculty Doctoral Committee:

(i) ascertains that the applicant has a very strong background in the areas of study related to the proposed area of research; and

(ii) submits a clearly motivated recommendation for acceptance to the Board for eventual consideration by the Doctoral Academic Committee and Senate.

Taught Study-Units

4. 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

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

Repeal

6. The Bye Laws of 2010 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 Faculty of Economics, Management and Accountancy, published as Legal Notice 209 of 2010 shall be deemed to cease to be in force as from 1 October 2024.

7. The Bye Laws of 2012 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 Institute for Tourism, Travel and Culture, published as Legal Notice 400 of 2012 shall be deemed to cease to be in force as from 1 October 2024.