

**EDUCATION ACT  
(CAP. 327)**

**Bye-Laws of 2023 in terms of the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2019 for the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) – B.Sc. (Hons) – in Rural Sciences and Food Systems under the auspices of the Institute of Earth Systems**

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 Institute of Earth Systems in virtue of the powers conferred upon it by article 8 (b) (v) of the Statute for the Institute 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 2023 in terms of the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2019 for the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) – B.Sc. (Hons) – in Rural Sciences and Food Systems under the auspices of the Institute of Earth Systems.

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

“the Board” means the Board of the Institute of Earth Systems;

“the Board of Studies” means the Board of Studies responsible for the academic administration and organisation of the Course, appointed by Senate;

“the Course” means the programme of study leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) – B.Sc. (Hons) - in Rural Sciences and Food Systems;

“the Degree” means the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) – B.Sc. (Hons) - in Rural Sciences and Food Systems;

“the Principal Regulations” means the General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2019.

### **Applicability**

2. These bye-laws shall be applicable for courses commencing in October 2023 or later.

### **Requirements for Admission**

3. To be registered as regular students in the Course, applicants shall satisfy the general requirements for admission as specified in the Admission Regulations of the University, or be in possession of the Diploma in Agriculture of the University of Malta.

### **Course Duration**

4. The Course shall extend over a period of three years of full-time study or its equivalent in part-time study.

### **Course Programme**

5. The Course shall consist of study-units to which 180 credits are assigned.

6. The Board shall publish the programme of study for the Degree, drawn up in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Principal Regulations, and approved by Senate, at the commencement of each Course. Subject to changes that the Board may, with the approval of Senate, be constrained to make, students are bound to follow the study-units and obtain the credits as indicated in the programme of study.

### **Award of the Degree**

7. (1) The Final Weighted Average Mark for the classification of the Degree shall be based on the results obtained in the three years of the Course, all credits being weighted equally.

(2) The Degree may be awarded jointly with another university in terms of an agreement that may be approved by Senate.