L.N. 128 of 2023

EDUCATION ACT (CAP. 327)

Bye-Laws of 2023 for the Selection of Applicants for Admission to the Bachelor of Science (Honours) (Midwifery) Degree Course under the auspices of the Faculty of Health Sciences

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 Health Sciences 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:

Applicability

1. These bye-laws shall apply to the Midwifery area of study in the course leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) at the Faculty of Health Sciences commencing in October 2023 or later.

Selection of Applicants

2. Whenever the number of students that may be admitted to the Midwifery area of study is limited by Senate in terms of the provisions of bye-law 9 of the Bye-Laws of 2010 for the Degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours), and the number of eligible applicants for this area of study exceeds the number of places available, the selection of applicants shall be made according to the criteria listed in bye-law 3 of these bye-laws.

Criteria for Selection

3. (1) Applicants who satisfy the general and special course requirements as laid down in the bye-laws for the course shall be selected from amongst all eligible applicants according to the following categories, listed in order of preference:

1st Category: those with a grade 'A' in Biology at Advanced Level

2nd Category: those with a grade 'B' in Biology at Advanced Level

3rd Category: those with a grade 'C' in Biology at Advanced Level

4th Category: those with a grade 'D' in Biology at Advanced Level

5th Category: those with a grade 'E' in Biology at Advanced Level.

- (2) Applicants in possession of the General Entry Requirements may offer the pass in Biology at Advanced Level either as part of the General Entry Requirements or in addition to the General Entry Requirements.
- (3) When applicants present more than one pass in Biology, the best grade shall be taken into consideration.
- (4) For the purpose of selection, applicants who fully satisfy the general and the special course requirements by the 31 August preceding the commencement of the course shall be considered first.
- (5) If the number of eligible applicants falling in the last category of applicants eligible to be admitted in terms of the provisions of paragraph (1) of this bye-law is such that the total number of applicants to be admitted exceeds the number of places established by Senate, consideration shall first be given to:
- (a) the applicant's overall performance in all subjects presented for the award of the Matriculation Certificate. This shall be determined from the sum of points allocated for each subject, which shall be assigned as follows:

	Advanced Level	Intermediate Level
Grade A	30 points	10 points
Grade B	24 points	8 points
Grade C	18 points	6 points
Grade D	12 points	4 points
Grade E	6 points	2 points

(b) if this is not sufficient, the remaining eligible applicants in that category shall be interviewed by an Interviewing Board appointed by the Board for the purpose in order to fill the remaining place/s.

Repeal

4. The bye-laws for the Selection of Applicants for Admission to the Bachelor of Science (Honours) (Midwifery) and (Radiography) Degree Course under the auspices of the Faculty of Health Sciences, published as Legal Notice 299 of 2005, shall be deemed to cease to be in force as from 1st October 2023, provided that students registered for this course before 1st October 2023 shall continue to be governed by the bye-laws that were in force at the time of their joining the course.