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**ATT DWAR L-EDUKAZZJONI
(KAP. 327)**

**Ir-Regolamenti tal-2012 tal-Kors għall-Grad ta'
Master in Early Childhood Education and Care**

BIS-SAHHA tas-setgħat mogħtija lilu bl-artikoli 74 (5) u 75 (6) tal-Att dwar l-Edukazzjoni (Kap. 327), il-Kanċillier tal-Università ta' Malta ppromulga dawn ir-regolamenti magħmula mis-Senat tal-Università ta' Malta bis-sahha tas-setgħat mogħtija lilu bl-artikoli 75 u 79 ta' dak l-Att:

It-Titlu u l-Interpretazzjoni

1. (1) Dawn ir-regolamenti jistgħu jissejhu bħala r-Regolamenti tal-2012 tal-Kors għall-Grad ta' Master in Early Childhood Education and Care.

(2) F'dawn ir-regolamenti, kemm-il darba r-rabta tal-kliem ma teħtiegħ xort'oħra -

“il-Bord” tfisser il-Bord tal-Fakultà tal-Edukazzjoni;

“il-Bord tal-Koordinazzjoni” tfisser il-Bord tal-Koordinazzjoni, responsabbli għall-amministrazzjoni akkademika u għall-organizzazzjoni tal-Kors, li għandu jinkludi membru minn kull Istituzzjoni Msieħba;

“il-Grad” tfisser il-grad ta' Master in Early Childhood Education and Care;

“l-Istituzzjonijiet Imsieħba” tfisser l-istituzzjonijiet li qed jieħdu sehem fil-programm għall-Masters tal-Erasmus Mundus li hu approvat mill-Kummissjoni Ewropea taħt il-*Convention Number* 159480-1-2009-1-NO-ERA MUNDUS-EMMC, jiġifieri:

Dublin Institute of Technology, Ireland;
l-Università ta' Malta, Malta; u
Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences, Norway.

“il-Kors” tfisser il-programm ta' studju żviluppat mill-Istituzzjonijiet Imsieħba li jwassal għall-grad ta' Master in Early Childhood Education and Care;

“il-Postgraduate Diploma” tfisser il-Postgraduate Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care;

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“is-Senat” tfisser is-Senat tal-Università ta’ Malta; u

“l-Università” tfisser l-Università ta’ Malta.

(3) Dan il-Grad huwa grad ta’ Master tal-Università mogħti flimkien ma’ universitajiet oħra u dan għandu jfisser li l-Kors huwa mgħallem fl-Istituzzjonijiet Imsieħba fi hdan qafas ta’ programm għal grad mogħti flimkien. Il-Grad jingħata biss jekk l-Istituzzjonijiet Imsieħba jiddikjaraw li l-istudent huwa eligibbli biex jingħata r-rikonoxximent.

L-Applikabilità

2. Dawn ir-regolamenti għandhom japplikaw għall-Korsijiet li jibdew f’Awwissu 2010 jew wara.

Il-Kwalifiki għad-Dhul

3. (1) L-applikanti għandu jkollhom grad tal-ewwel ċiklu f-Edukazzjoni tat-Tfal fl-Età Bikrija jew fl-Edukazzjoni Primarja bl-Edukazzjoni tat-Tfal fl-Età Bikrija bħala l-qasam ta’ speċjalizzazzjoni, jew grad tal-ewwel ċiklu f’qasam relatat minn università oħra, rikonoxxut mill-Bord tal-Koordinazzjoni għal dan il-għan, fil-kazijiet kollha, flimkien ma’ mill-anqas sentejn esperjenza ta’ tağħlim fis-settur tas-snin bikrin.

(2) L-applikanti għandu jkollhom għarfien u hili tal-kompjuter.

(3) L-applikanti għandhom ikunu evalwati fuq bażi tal-kriterji li ġejjin:

- (a) ir-rilevanza u l-eċċellenza tal-għarfien akkademiku (50%);
- (b) l-esperjenza u t-tağħriġ professjonali rilevanti (25%);
- (ċ) id-dikjarazzjoni tal-iskop sottomessa (15%); u
- (d) l-ittri tar-riferenza (10%).

It-Tul tal-Kors

4. Il-Kors għandu jinfirex fuq sentejn ta’ studju fuq bażi *full-time*.

Il-Programm ta’ Studju

5. (1) Il-programm ta’ studju, li jikkonsisti minn 80 krettu ECTS għal taqsimiet studju mgħallma u 40 krettu ECTS għar-riċerka li twassal għad-dissertazzjoni, għandu jkun ippubblikat qabel il-bidu tal-Kors, wara l-approvazzjoni tas-Senat.

(2) L-istudenti huma mistennija li jattendu f’kull Istituzzjoni Msieħba għall-anqas għall-semestru wieħed.

Il-Katalgu ta' Taqsimiet Studju

6. Il-Bord tal-Koordinazzjoni għandu jhejji katalgu ta' taqsimiet studju. Il-katalgu għandu jindika l-livell, il-kodiċi, it-titlu, id-deskrizzjoni u t-tip ta' kull taqsima studju, il-kretti assenjati għal kull taqsima studju, u l-metodi ta' tagħlim u valutazzjoni. Il-Bord għandu jippubblika l-katalgu qabel il-bidu tal-Kors, wara l-approvazzjoni tas-Senat.

Il-Valutazzjoni

7. (1) Ir-rizultati tal-valutazzjoni tat-taqsimiet studju għandhom ikunu ppublikati bhala Għadda/Wehel.

(2) Ir-rizultat tal-valutazzjoni tad-dissertazzjoni għandu jkun ippublikat bhala grad bl-ittri, fejn A huwa l-aħjar grad, E huwa l-iktar grad baxx u F tfisser li wiehed Wehel.

(3) L-istudenti li jeħlu f'xi taqsima studju jithallew jagħmlu valutazzjoni supplimentari darba biss.

(4) Jekk jeħlu mill-valutazzjoni supplimentari, l-istudenti ma jistgħux ikompli l-Kors u jiġu mitluba biex jirtiraw.

Il-Postgraduate Diploma

8. (1) L-istudenti li jtemmu b'suċċess sitt taqsimiet studju mgħallma li għalihom hemm assenjati 60 krettu u jagħzlu li ma jkomplux il-Kors jew wara li komplew ma jtemmux b'suċċess il-Kors ikunu intitolati għall-Postgraduate Diploma.

(2) L-istudenti li jikkwalifikaw għall-Postgraduate Diploma skont il-provvedimenti tal-paragrafu (1) ta' dan ir-regolament ikollhom l-ismijiet tagħhom ippublikati f'lista f'ordni alfabetiku.

Id-Dissertazzjoni

9. (1) L-istudenti kollha għandhom jagħtu t-titlu u l-proposta tar-riċerka dettaljata sad-data stabbilita u fil-format speċifikat fil-Ktieb tal-Istudjanti kif imhejji mill-Bord tal-Koordinazzjoni.

(2) Il-Bord tal-Koordinazzjoni għandu jahtar superviżur għal kull student. L-istudenti huma meħtieġa li jzommu kuntatt regolari mas-superviżur tagħhom. Is-superviżuri jistgħu jirreferu lill-Bord tal-Koordinazzjoni dawk l-istudenti li jqisu li x-xogħol tagħhom mhux sodisfaċenti u għandhom jirreferu għall-approvazzjoni tal-Bord tal-Koordinazzjoni xi modifika sostanzjali fit-titlu jew fil-kontenut tad-dissertazzjoni.

(3) Id-dissertazzjonijiet għandhom jinkitbu bl-Ingliż.

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(4) Id-dissertazzjonijiet għandhom jinkludu dikjarazzjoni ffirmata mill-istudenti li hija x-xogħol originali tagħhom.

(5) Kull dissertazzjoni għandha tkun eżaminata minn Bord tal-Eżaminaturi, magħmul mill-anqas minn tliet membri, li għandu jinkludi eżaminatur intern mill-Istituzzjonijiet Imsieħba, li mhuwiex neċessarjament il-koordinatur akkademiku, is-superviżur li għandu jkun iċ-*chairperson*, u eżaminatur barrani minn barra l-Istituzzjonijiet Imsieħba.

(6) L-istudenti li d-dissertazzjoni tagħhom titqies mhux sodisfaċenti jistgħu jithallew mill-Bord tal-Koordinazzjoni, fuq ir-rakkomandazzjoni tal-Bord tal-Eżaminaturi, jergħu jissottomettuha f'forma riveduta, fi żmien perijodu ta' mhux aktar minn sitt xhur mill-ġurnata meta kienet irriferuta lura lilhom.

(7) Id-dissertazzjonijiet għandhom isegwu l-linji gwida rilevanti dwar il-format u l-preżentazzjoni, kif indikat mill-Bord tal-Koordinazzjoni fil-Ktieb tal-Istudent.

L-Ghoti tal-Grad

10. (1) L-istudenti li jiksbu l-120 krettu jkunu eliġibbli għall-għoti tal-Grad.

(2) L-ismijiet tal-istudenti li jikkwalifikaw għall-għoti tal-Grad ikunu ppubblikati f'lista f'ordni alfabetiku.

11. Il-Grad jingħata flimkien mal-Istituzzjonijiet Imsieħba kollha wara ftehim bejn l-Università u l-Istituzzjonijiet Imsieħba kkonċernati.

L.N. 30 of 2012

**EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)**

**Master in Early Childhood Education and Care
Degree Course Regulations, 2012**

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 regulations made by the Senate of the University of Malta by virtue of the powers conferred upon it by articles 75 and 79 of the said Act:

Citation and Interpretation

1. (1) These regulations may be cited as the Master in Early Childhood Education and Care Degree Course Regulations, 2012.

(2) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires -

“the Board” means the Board of the Faculty of Education;

“the Coordinating Board” means the Coordinating Board, responsible for the academic administration and organisation of the Course, which shall include a member from each Partner Institution;

“the Course” means the programme of study developed by the Partner Institutions leading to the degree of Master in Early Childhood Education and Care;

“the Degree” means the Master in Early Childhood Education and Care;

“the Partner Institutions” means the institutions taking part in the Erasmus Mundus Masters programme which is approved by the European Commission under Convention Number 159480-1-2009-1-NO-ERA MUNDUS-EMMC, namely:

Dublin Institute of Technology, Ireland;
University of Malta, Malta; and
Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences, Norway.

“the Postgraduate Diploma” means the Postgraduate Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care;

“the Senate” means the Senate of the University of Malta; and

“the University” means the University of Malta.

(3) This Degree is a joint Master's degree of the University and this shall be taken to mean that the Course is taught at the Partner Institutions within the framework of a joint degree programme. The Degree shall only be awarded if the Partner Institutions declare the student to be eligible for the award.

Applicability

2. These regulations shall apply to courses commencing in August 2010 or later.

Qualifications for Admission

3. (1) Applicants shall be in possession of a first cycle degree in Early Childhood Education or in Primary Education with Early Childhood Education as the area of specialization, or a first cycle degree in a related area from another university, recognized by the Coordinating Board for the purpose, in all instances together with at least two years of teaching experience in the early years sector.

(2) Applicants shall have computer knowledge and skills.

(3) Applications shall be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

- (a) Relevance and excellence of academic background (50%);
- (b) Relevant experience and professional training (25%);
- (c) The submitted statement of purpose (15%); and
- (d) Letters of reference (10%).

Course Duration

4. The Course shall extend over two years of full-time study.

Programme of Study

5. (1) The programme of study, consisting of 80 ECTS credits for taught study-units and 40 ECTS credits for research leading to a dissertation, shall be published prior to the commencement of the Course, following the approval of Senate.

(2) Students are expected to attend at each of the Partner Institutions for at least one semester.

Catalogue of Study-Units

6. The Coordinating Board shall draw up a catalogue of all study-units. The catalogue shall indicate the level, code, title, description and type of each study-

unit, the ECTS credits assigned to each study-unit, and the methods of teaching and assessment. The Board shall publish the catalogue prior to the commencement of the Course, following the approval of Senate.

Assessment

7. (1) The results for the assessment of the study-units shall be published on a Pass/Fail basis.

(2) The results for the assessment of the dissertation shall be published with a grading letter system, where A is the best grade, E the lowest pass grade and F is fail.

(3) Students who fail in any study-unit shall be allowed a supplementary assessment once only.

(4) If unsuccessful in the supplementary assessment, students may not continue the Course and shall be asked to withdraw.

Postgraduate Diploma

8. (1) Students who successfully complete six taught study-units to which 60 ECTS credits have been assigned and opt not to proceed with the Course or having proceeded do not successfully complete the Course shall be entitled to the award of the Postgraduate Diploma.

(2) Students who qualify for the Postgraduate Diploma in terms of paragraph (1) of this regulation shall have their names published in a list in alphabetical order.

Dissertation

9. (1) All students shall submit a title and a detailed research proposal by the deadline and in the format specified in the Student Handbook as drawn up by the Coordinating Board.

(2) The Coordinating Board shall appoint a supervisor for each student. Students shall be required to have regular contact with their supervisor. Supervisors may refer to the Coordinating Board students whose work they consider unsatisfactory and shall refer for the approval of the Coordinating Board any substantial modification in the title or content of the dissertation.

(3) Dissertations shall be written in English.

(4) Dissertations shall include a declaration signed by the students that it is their own original work.

(5) Each dissertation shall be examined by a Board of Examiners, composed of at least three members, which shall include one internal examiner from the Partner Institutions, who is not necessarily the academic co-ordinator, the supervisor who shall act as the chairperson, and an external examiner from outside the Partner Institutions.

(6) Students whose dissertation is found unsatisfactory may be allowed by the Coordinating Board, on the recommendation of the Board of Examiners, to re-submit it in a revised form, within a period of up to six months from the day on which it is referred back to them.

(7) Dissertations must conform to the relevant guidelines as regards format and presentation, as set out by the Coordinating Board in the Student Handbook.

Award of the Degree

10. (1) Students who obtain the 120 ECTS credits shall be eligible for the award of the Degree.

(2) The names of students who qualify for the award of the Degree shall be published in a list in alphabetical order.

11. The Degree shall be awarded jointly by all the Partner Institutions following agreement between the University and the Partner Institutions concerned.

