

Classification of Courses – Academic Year 2020-2021

Students who, under the terms and conditions established by Legal Notice 308/2016 and as per guidelines established by the Students' Maintenance Grants' Board, are following a full-time course at MQF Level 5, 6 or 7, may qualify for the following award according to the classification of their course.

Courses are classified as:

- a. General
- b. Prescribed
- c. High Priority

a. General Courses (including vocational/professional courses)

Students who are following a General course are normally entitled to the following:

- (i) A fixed rate of €90.93 every four weeks' covering period between the 1st of October and the 30th of June; payable period December - August.
- (ii) A sum of €565.87 per academic year to partly cover expenses related to educational material and equipment;
- (iii) A one-time grant of €465.87 payable in the first year.

b. Prescribed Degree Courses (including vocational/professional courses)

Students who are following a prescribed full-time undergraduate degree course (MQF Levels 5, 6 or 7) shall qualify for the following awards:

- (i) A fixed rate of €159.12 every four weeks' payable between the 1st of October and the 30th of June; payable period December – August.
- (ii) A sum of €798.81 per academic year to partly cover expenses related to educational material and equipment;
- (iii) A one-time grant of €698.81 payable in the first year.

University of Malta

Masters in Teaching and Learning (all areas)

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Early Childhood Education and Care

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Facilitating Inclusive Education

Master of Pharmacy

Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) - Electrical and Electronic Engineering

Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) - Mechanical Engineering

Master of Dental Surgery

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Banking and Finance and Statistics and Operations Research

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Banking and Finance and Mathematics

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Banking and Finance and Physics

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Mathematics and Statistics and Operations Research

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Computing Science and Statistics and Operations Research

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Physics and Statistics and Operations Research

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Chemistry and Statistics and Operations Research

Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Science for Education and Communication – Science with specialisation in Biology

Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Science for Education and Communication – Science with specialisation in Chemistry

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Biology

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Biology and Chemistry

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Biology and Mathematics

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Biology and Physics

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Biology and Statistics and Operations Research

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Chemistry with Materials

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Computing Science

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Computer Engineering

Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Science for Education and Communication – Science with specialisation in Physics

Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Geosciences and Mathematics

Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Geosciences and Physics

Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Geosciences and Statistics and Operations Research

Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Physiotherapy

Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Dental Hygiene

Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Dental Technology

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Chemistry

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Chemistry and Mathematics

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Chemistry and Physics

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Computational Physics

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Business and Information Technology

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Mathematics and Philosophy

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Mathematics and Physics

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Mental Health Nursing

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Midwifery

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Nursing

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Pharmaceutical Science

Bachelor of Science (Honours) - Pharmaceutical Technology

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology (Honours) - Artificial Intelligence

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology (Honours) - Computing and Business

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology (Honours) - Software Development

Bachelor of Science in Computing Science and Mathematics

Master of Science in Information and Communication Technology - Computer Information Systems

Master of Science in Information and Communication Technology - Microelectronics and Microsystems

Master of Science in Information and Communication Technology - Signal Processing and Machine Learning

Master of Science in Information and Communication Technology – Telecommunications

Master of Science in Signals, System and Control - Signals, System and Control

Note: Since the Bachelors in Education will be phased out by 2020-2021 these were not included in the list, but these students will also be benefitting from a Prescribed rate of Students' Maintenance Grants till end of course.

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Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Chemical Technology
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Environmental Engineering
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Health Science (Physiological Measurements)
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Nursing Studies (Northumbria)
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Animal Management and Veterinary Nursing
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Horticulture
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Fish Management
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Financial Services Management
Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Game Art and Visual Design
Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Interactive Media
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Building Services Engineering
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Construction Engineering
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Construction Engineering (Civil Engineering)
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Biomedical Engineering
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Electronic Communications
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Power Generation and Renewables
Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Electronics and Control Engineering
Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Electronics Engineering
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Marine Engineering
Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Mechanical Engineering (Manufacturing)
Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Mechanical Engineering (Plant)
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Computer Systems and Networks
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Software Development
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Multimedia Software Development
Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Business Analytics

NOTE: The above list has been revised and compiled by the Students' Maintenance Grants' Board in consultation with various bodies, including Jobsplus and after due approval from the Hon. Minister for Education and Employment.

c. High-Priority Courses

Students who, under the terms and conditions established in these Regulations are granted a monetary grant and are following a full-time undergraduate degree course defined as National High Priority by SMGB, qualify for the following award for the duration of their course of studies.

- (i) A fixed rate of €319.20 every four weeks payable between the 1st October and the 30th of June; payable period December – August.

- (ii) A sum of €798.81 per academic year to partly cover expenses related to educational material and equipment;
- (iii) A one-time grant of €698.81 payable in the first year.

High Priority Courses

Doctor in Veterinary Medicine

Degree in Aeronautics

Degree in Aerospace Engineering

Important Notes:

- a. Courses whose classification has been revised, and whose classification has been elevated from General to Prescribed this academic year, shall not be entitled for the backdated difference in Students' Maintenance Grants' rates for payments already received.
- b. Courses listed above, who undergo changes in course structure and/or route, will have their classification re-discussed before the Students' Maintenance Grants' Board. The Board reserves the right to revise the list of Course Classification.
- c. Students studying in a private institution in Malta / foreign institution and who are applying under the MGUS, and whose course titles do not match exactly with the course titles shown above as being offered in local institutions, will have their course classification decided upon by the Students' Maintenance Grants' Board in consultation with the Hon. Minister for Education and Employment. In the case of Diplomas (set at MQF Level 5) leading to one of the abovementioned Degrees, this continuation must be expressly stipulated in the Unconditional Letter of Acceptance.

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