

Tanta University

Faculty of Law

## **Postgraduate Draft Bylaw according to the System of Accredited Hours**

\*After considering Universities Organization Act No. 49 of 1972, its executive bylaw, laws and amending and complementary decrees

\*the internal bylaw of Faculty of Law at Tanta University issued based on the ministerial decree No. 873 on July 27, 1999 and its amending and complementary decrees

\*the recommendation presented by Legal Studies Sector Committee at the Supreme Council of Universities regarding amendment of postgraduate bylaw of Faculty of Law at Tanta University according to the system of accredited hours, the following amendment of the bylaw was suggested:

## **The First Section**

### **Scientific Degrees**

#### **Article (1):**

Upon request from Faculty of Law, Tanta University grants the following scientific degrees:

1. Postgraduate Diploma in one of the following branches:
  - a) Private Law
  - b) Public Law
  - c) Islamic Legislation
  - d) Criminal Sciences
  - e) Administrative Sciences
  - f) International Law
  - g) Financial and Economic Sciences
  - h) Judicial Sciences
  - i) International Trade
  - j) Civil Law
2. The Master's degree in Law
3. The PhD degree In Law

## **The Second Section**

### **General Stipulations**

#### **Article (2):**

- Study at postgraduate stage is according to the system of accredited hours in the framework of academic semester.
- The accredited hour is a scientific measuring unit that is registered for a student who passes the curriculum he studied. It is one academic theoretical hour weekly.
- The accredited hour is used for determining student's academic duties in each semester according to the stipulations of this bylaw.

## **The Third Section**

### **Postgraduate Diplomas**

#### **Article (3):**

To enroll a student at any postgraduate diploma, he has to have gained the Licentiate degree in Law from a University in the Arab Republic of Egypt or an equivalent scientific degree from Egyptian universities or from acknowledged scientific institutes inside Egypt or abroad.

#### **Article (4):**

In each of the first and the second semesters, a student studies four subjects; three of them are compulsory and one is elective chosen by the student from two subjects in each academic semester except of the

Public Law and Private Law diplomas where a student studies five subjects in each semester; four of them are compulsory and one is elective chosen by the student from two subjects in each academic semester. After seeking the opinion of councils of scientific departments Faculty Council is authorized to redistribute these subjects to the two semesters.

**Article (5):**

The duration of study in each academic semester is 15 weeks including final exams as follows:

- The first semester (fall semester): Study starts at the beginning of the fourth week of September and continues till the fourth week of December. Exams start during the second week of January.
- The second semester (spring semester): Study starts at the beginning of the first week of March and continues till the first week of June. Exams start at the beginning of the third week of June.
- Faculty Council is authorized to modify these dates in a way that does not change the determined duration.
- Faculty Council is authorized to hold the exams in September if this enables students to graduate. Only students who failed one or two curricula as a maximum can take these exams.

**Article (6):**

Faculty Council determines number of accepted students at each diploma. This bylaw organizes the number of accredited hours that must be passed as basic requirements for gaining the diploma. If the number of registered students in a semester is less than 25, the diploma will not open in that semester unless Faculty Council makes different decision.

**Article (7):**

Registration for postgraduate diplomas is open once starting from the beginning of the second week of September till the third week of the same month. A student has to choose the subjects of the second semester two weeks before the start of the semester.

**Article (8):**

A student is deprived of taking the final exam of a curriculum if his absence is more than 25% in one semester. In this case, he fails the curriculum and an estimation of (f), failure, is recorded for him unless he presents an excuse accepted by Faculty Council.

**Article (9):**

**A student's success in curricula and in the general estimation is assessed according to the following table:**

The total mark is 20	Estimation with Letters	Points	General Estimation
18 to 20	A	4	Excellent
17 to less than 18	B+	3.5	Very Good
16 to less than 17	B	3	Very Good
15 to less than 16	C+	2.5	Good
14 to less than 15	C	2	Good
Less than 14	D	0	Failure

Points and estimations are calculated as follows:

- 1- For a student's estimation, each academic hour equals four points.
- 2- The total points of one curriculum are the result of multiplying the number of points the student got by the number of accredited hours of the curriculum.
- 3- The cumulative total is the sum of points in all curricula for which the student is registered throughout the duration of study divided by the number of the registered accredited hours throughout the duration of study.

**Article (10):**

The academic duty is the number of accredited hours a student can be registered for during one semester. The minimum and the maximum of academic duty in each diploma are determined according to the stipulations of this bylaw.

**Article (11):**

At the beginning of each semester, every scientific department appoints an academic guide of the subjects studied at the department from teaching staff members. The academic guide undertakes guiding students of the diploma during the period of study. His bonus is determined based on a decree issued by Faculty Council.

**Article (12):**

The exam is written in all subjects. The period of exam is three hours for each subject. The full mark of one subject is twenty marks including research task. Faculty Council is authorized to determine an oral exam according to the regulations it introduces provided that it is ratified by University Council.

**Article (13):**

The minimum duration for gaining diploma is two semesters and the maximum is four consecutive or separate semesters. A student's enrollment is cancelled if he does not complete graduation requirements during the determined duration.

**Article (14):**

Requirements for gaining diploma are thirty accredited hours; six of them are allocated for research task as a compulsory curriculum studied by the student throughout the two semesters with three hours in each semester. At the end of the second semester, a student presents a written research and an oral discussion is held for the student about it.

**Article (15):**

The minimum of the academic duty in one semester is nine accredited hours. The maximum is twelve accredited hours in addition to research task hours. Faculty Council is authorized to increase the maximum of academic duty by three accredited hours to complete graduation requirements.

**Article (16):**

Faculty Council is authorized to decide teaching one or more subjects, or a part of a subject of diploma in a foreign language based on a suggestion from specialized department council.

**Article (17):**

Faculty Council is authorized to decide opening study in postgraduate diplomas in all or in some branches for persons who had licentiate degree in law with open education system according to the rules determined by Faculty Council and ratified by Council of Postgraduate

Studies and University Council in the light of the regulations issued by the Supreme Council of Universities (SCU).

**Article (18):**

After approval from Council of Postgraduate Studies and University Council, Faculty Council is authorized to make an agreement with foreign universities for granting common degree in a postgraduate diploma.

**Article (19):**

Faculty Council determines the scientific content of diplomas that are updated to cope with scientific and academic developments based on suggestions from councils of specialized scientific departments.

**Article (20):**

University Council determines bonuses of teaching and of exams in postgraduate diplomas and bonuses of administrators at Postgraduate Studies Administration based on a suggestion from Faculty Council.

**Article (21):**

The following tables show the curricula studied to gain each diploma distributed to the two semesters:

First: Private Law Diploma

- The first semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Civil Law In-depth	3 hours
Civil and Commercial Procedures Law In-depth	3 hours
Private International Law In-depth	3 hours
Banking Operations In-depth	3 hours



An elective subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects: 1- Developments of Islamic Jurisprudence 2- Roman Law	3 hours 3 hours
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- The second semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Commercial Law In-depth	3 hours
Civil and Commercial Procedures Law In-depth	3 hours
Islamic Shariah (a comparative study in one of private law branches)	3 hours
Philosophy of Law In-depth	3 hours
Comparative Civil Law	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects: 1- Egyptian Judicial System 2- International Contracts	3 hours 3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

## **Second: Public Law Diploma**

- The first semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Administrative Law In-depth	3 hours
Criminal Law In-depth	3 hours
Public International Law In-depth	3 hours
Public Finance In-depth	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects: 1- Financial Policy 2- Governance in Islam	3 hours 3 hours

- The second semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Supplementary Penal Code	3 hours
Constitutional Law In-depth	3 hours
Tax Legislation In-depth	3 hours
Philosophy of Law In-depth	3 hours
International Humanitarian Law	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- International Organizations	3 hours
2- Constitutional Jurisprudence In-depth	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

### **Third: Islamic Legislation**

- The first semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Comparative Islamic Jurisprudence	3 hours
General Theories in Islamic Jurisprudence	3 hours
Comparative Personal Status	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Governance in Islam	3 hours
2- Current Issues of Jurisprudence	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

- The second semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Foundations of Jurisprudence	3 hours
Transactions in Islamic Jurisprudence	3 hours
Islamic Criminal Legislation	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Economic Systems in Islam	3 hours
2- Judiciary in Islam	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

#### **Fourth: Criminal Sciences Diploma**

- The first semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Penal Code In-depth	3 hours
Supplementary Penal Code	3 hours
Criminology In-depth	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Criminal Policy	3 hours
2- International Criminal Law	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

- The Second semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Criminal Procedures Law	3 hours
Penology In-depth	3 hours
Penal Policy In-depth	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from two subjects determined annually by Faculty Council from the following subjects:	
1- Terrorism in Criminal Law	3 hours
2- Defenses in Criminal Procedures	3 hours

3- Islamic Criminal Legislation	
Research Task	3 hours

### **Fifth: Economic Sciences Diploma**

- The First semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Economic Theory In-depth	3 hours
Economic Law In-depth	3 hours
Tax Legislation In-depth	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Economic Development	3 hours
2- History of Economic Thought	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

- The Second semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Public Finance In-depth	3 hours
International Economic Relations In-depth	3 hours
Monetary and Bank Economics	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Monetary and Financial Markets	3 hours
2- Current Problems of International Economy	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

### **Sixth: International Law Diploma**

- The First semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
International Law In-depth	3 hours
Private International Law In-depth	3 hours
Humanitarian International Law In-depth	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Private International Arbitration	3 hours
2- Criminal International Law	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

- The Second semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
International Organization In-depth	3 hours
International Contracts	3 hours
Consular and Diplomatic Law	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Marine International Law	3 hours
2- Ecological International Law	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

## **Seventh: Administrative Sciences Diploma**

- The First semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Administrative Law In-depth	3 hours
Constitutional and Administrative Law In-depth	3 hours
Administrative Activity	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Administrative Contracts	3 hours
2- Public Service	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

- The Second semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Administrative and Fiscal Control	3 hours
Criminal Procedures Law In-depth	3 hours
Judicial Control of administration	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Comparative Constitutional Systems	3 hours
2- Parliamentary Law	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

## **Eighth: Judicial Sciences**

- The First semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Procedures Law	3 hours
Criminal Procedures Law In-depth	3 hours
International Jurisdiction In-depth	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Judiciary in Islam	3 hours
2- Administrative Investigation	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

- The Second semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Administrative Procedures In-depth	3 hours
Forcible Implementation in Civil and Commercial Articles In-depth	3 hours
Judicial Organization	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Practical Criminal Investigation	3 hours
2- Implementation of International Arbitration Judgments	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

## **Ninth: International Trade Diploma**

- The First semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Conflict of Laws in International Trade Issues	3 hours
Economic Problems of International Trade	3 hours
Banking Operations In-depth	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Corporations in Islamic Jurisprudence In-depth	3 hours
2- Industrial Property In-depth	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

- The Second semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Marine Trade Law In-depth	3 hours
International Economic Relations In-depth	3 hours
Technology Transfer Contracts	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Arbitration in Private International Relations	3 hours
2- International Contracts	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

## **Tenth: Civil Law Diploma**



- The First semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Contract Theory In-depth	3 hours
Civil Responsibility In-depth	3 hours
Copyright In-depth	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Social Insurance Law In-depth	3 hours
2- Transactions in Islamic Jurisprudence	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

- The Second semester:

Title of curriculum	Number of hours
Civil Protection of Consumer	3 hours
Neighboring Rights	3 hours
Labor Law In-depth	3 hours
A subject chosen by the student from the following two subjects:	
1- Professionals' Civil Responsibility	3 hours
1- Foundations of Writing Civil Contracts	3 hours
Research Task	3 hours

## **The Fourth Section**

## **The Master's Degree in Law**

### **Article (22):**

A student can be registered for the Master's degree in Law if he meets the following conditions:

- 1- A student has to have gained the Licentiate degree in Law, an equivalent degree from an Egyptian university, or an equivalent degree from an acknowledged Arab or foreign university.
- 2- A student has to have gained a postgraduate diploma from a faculty of law or an equivalent diploma from Egyptian or foreign universities.

### **Article (23):**

A student chooses the topic of his thesis provided it is related to one of diploma subjects or related to the specialization which the student passed its exams successfully.

### **Article (24):**

A student presents a request to Faculty Dean for registering his master's thesis. The request is submitted to Faculty Council after seeking the opinion of specialized department council and Postgraduate Studies Committee. The decree issued by Faculty Council includes choosing the supervisor of the thesis according to stipulations of article (98) of the executive bylaw of Universities Organization Act.

### **Article (25):**

The supervisor of the thesis presents a half annual report on the student's progress in his research. A recommendation from Department Council about the report is presented to Faculty Council. In the light of this report, Faculty Council is authorized to cancel registration of the thesis according to stipulations of article (102) of the executive bylaw of Universities Organization Act.

In all cases registration of a master's thesis is cancelled three years after registration date unless Faculty Council decided to keep the registration for one year that can be renewed once based on the supervisor's report after seeking the opinion of specialized department council.

**Article (26):**

A student can gain the Master's degree in Law if he meets the following conditions:

- 1- To spending 12 accredited hours in conducting innovative research in a topic ratified by Postgraduate Studies Council based on a suggestion from Faculty Council for one year at least starting from the date of approval from Postgraduate Studies Council for registration of the topic.
- 2- To present results of his research in a thesis accepted by judgment committee and have a public discussion of the thesis.
- 3- To publish a research in one of judged journals and the research must be publishable.
- 4- To have gained an advanced level in computer according to what is determined by University Council.
- 5- To achieve the required degree of mastering a foreign language that is determined by University Council.

**Article (27):**

A master's student has to present five copies of the thesis if it is proved to be valid for discussion. The copies are distributed to members of judgment committee. In addition, a student abides by printing the thesis and giving 25 copies to Faculty library after discussion including the modifications requested by judgment committee and after being ratified by the supervisor.

**Article (28):**

The Master's degree in Law is granted with one of the following estimations shown in the table:

Mark out of 20	Estimation with Letters	Points	General Estimation
18 to less than 20	A	4	Master's degree in Law with estimation of very good
16 to less than 18	B	3	Master's degree in Law with estimation of good
14 to less than 16	C	2	Master's degree in Law

The Judgment committee is authorized to grant an honor degree to students who gain the estimation of very good. It is authorized also to decide to exchange the thesis with other universities and to recommend printing it at the University's expenses.

**Article (29):**

The certificate of the master's degree shows the postgraduate diploma gained by the student, the topic of the master's thesis and the estimation it was granted with.

## **The Fifth Section**

### **The PhD degree in Law**

#### **Article (30):**

A student can be registered for the PhD degree in Law if he meets the following conditions:

- 1- A student has to have gained the Licentiate degree in Law, an equivalent degree from an Egyptian university, or an equivalent degree from an acknowledged Arab or foreign university.
- 2- A student has to have gained two postgraduate diplomas: one in private law and one in public law and he has to have gained the estimation of good at least in one of the two diplomas; or he has to have gained the Master's degree in Law with the estimation of good at least.

#### **Article (31):**

A PhD student chooses the topic of his thesis provided that it is related to one of the subjects he studied in the diplomas he had or related to the sub- specialization of the thesis he presented to gain the Master's degree in Law.

#### **Article (32):**

The student presents a request about registration of the topic of the thesis. The request is presented to Faculty Council after seeking the opinion of specialized department council. The decision of Faculty Council includes choosing the supervisor of the thesis according to stipulations of article (98) of the executive bylaw of Universities Organization Act.

**Article (33):**

The supervisor of the thesis presents an annual report on the student's progress in his research at the end of each academic year. A recommendation from Department Council about the report is presented to Faculty Council. In the light of this report, Faculty Council is authorized to cancel registration of the thesis according to stipulations of article (102) of the executive bylaw of Universities Organization Act.

In all cases registration of PhD thesis is cancelled eight years after registration date unless Faculty Council decided to keep the registration for another period determined according to the supervisor's report after seeking the opinion of specialized department council such that this period is no more than two years.

**Article (34):**

A student can gain the PhD degree in Law if he meets the following conditions:

1. To spending 48 accredited hours in conducting innovative research in a topic ratified by Postgraduate Studies Council based on a suggestion from Faculty Council for two year at least starting from the date of approval from Postgraduate Studies Council for registration of the topic.

2. To present results of his research in a thesis accepted by judgment committee and have a public discussion of the thesis.
3. To publish a research in one of judged journals and the research must be publishable.
4. To have gained an advanced level in computer according to what is determined by University Council.
5. To achieve the required degree of mastering a foreign language that is determined by University Council.

**Article (35):**

After finishing the thesis, the supervisor presented a report to specialized department council about its validity for discussion. The supervisor suggests in the report formation of judgment committee of the thesis.

**Article (36):**

Faculty Council determines validity of the thesis for discussion and formation of judgment committee based on a suggestion from specialized department council after considering supervisor's report on the thesis and his decision about it.

**Article (37):**

Each member of judgment committee presents an individual report on the thesis. In addition, judgment committee submits a collective report on it including a suggestion about granting the student the PhD degree in Law and the estimation granted to him. The collective report is presented to specialized department council then to postgraduate studies committee to be submitted to Faculty Council that suggests granting the student the PhD degree in Law and his estimation.

**Article (38):**

A PhD student has to present five copies of the thesis if it is proved to be valid for discussion. The copies are distributed to members of judgment committee. In addition, a student abides by printing the thesis and giving 50 copies to Faculty library after discussion including the modifications requested by judgment committee and after being ratified by the supervisor.

**Article (39):**

The PhD degree in Law is granted with one of the following estimations shown in the table:

Mark out of 20	Estimation with Letters	Points	General Estimation
18 to less than 20	A	4	PhD degree in Law with estimation of excellent
16 to less than 18	B	3.5	PhD degree in Law with estimation of very good
15 to less than 16	C	3	PhD degree in Law estimation of good
14 to less than 15	D	2	PhD degree in Law

The Judgment committee is authorized to recommend grant an honor degree to students who gain the estimation of very good. It is authorized also to decide to exchange the thesis with other Egyptian and foreign universities and to recommend printing it at the University's expenses.

**Article (40):**

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The certificate of the PhD degree shows the postgraduate diplomas gained by the student or the mark of his master's degree, its topic and the estimation he was granted in the master's degree. In addition this certificate shows the topic of the PhD thesis and the estimation it was granted with.

## **The Sixth Section**

### **Transitional Provisions**

#### **Article (41):**

Provisions of this bylaw are applied with effect from the academic year that directly follows issuance of the ministerial decree concerning issuance of this bylaw.

#### **Article (42):**

Provisions of the previous bylaw apply to students who are enrolled in previous years.

#### **Article (43):**

Applying this bylaw does not include, in any case, reconsideration of a student's result in a subject in which he was announced successful according to provisions of the previous bylaw.

