# Changes in Examination Regulations to the University Gazette – Social Sciences Division

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#### **Social Sciences Divisional Board**

# Approved by Chair's Action on 07/07/17

## **Title of Programme**

Research Degrees in Archaeology

**Brief note about nature of change**: amendment to deadline for submission of Transfer and Confirmation materials

#### Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/rdegrinarch/

# **Effective date**

For students starting from MT 2017

# **Detail of change**

1. Amend citation reference 1.4 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

This transfer shall normally take place not later than the fourth term after admission as a research student. The student will be required to show that the research already accomplished shows promise of the ability to produce a satisfactory D.Phil. thesis on the intended topic. For this purpose, the candidate must make an oral presentation of their work, and submit to the Archaeology Graduate Studies Committee two copies in typescript of a substantial piece of written work (of between 10,000 and 12,000 words) relevant to the proposed thesis, together with a research proposal. These should normally be submitted to the Graduate Studies Assistant Administrator at the School of Archaeology, by 12 noon on the Monday of the fifth week two in the term in which the application is made. On receiving the application the Archaeology Graduate Studies Committee shall appoint two assessors, of whom neither shall normally be the student's supervisor. The assessors shall read the scripts and interview the candidate before submitting to the committee a reasoned written report supporting their recommendation. A student whose first application is unsuccessful

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may be given one further opportunity to apply for transfer, following the procedures laid down, and may apply for an extension of time for one term if necessary for the purpose of making the application.'

2. Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

'The status of student for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy shall be confirmed by the committee under the provisions of Regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy, § 4, cl. 1. Candidates should normally apply for confirmation of status by 12 noon on Monday of week five two of their seventh term after admission as a research student. Candidates must make an oral presentation of their work, and submit a research outline, of approximately 1,000 words, a table of contents indicating how much work has been done on each section of the thesis to date, and a draft chapter or chapters of the thesis of no more than 10,000 words. The committee will appoint two assessors who will consider the applications and will normally interview candidates. A student whose first application is unsuccessful may be given one further opportunity to apply, following the procedures laid down, normally within one term of the original application, and may apply for an extension of time for one term if this is necessary for the purpose of making the application.'

## **Explanatory Notes**

Change to deadline for submission of materials for Transfer and Confirmation from week 5 to week 2.