

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

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 24/02/17 and by Education Committee on 17/05/17

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: amendment to assessment

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/pdifs-p-time/studentview/>

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference. 1.7-1.11 as follows (new text underlined):

‘(a) Four ~~core~~ courses, and satisfy the examiners in the assessment associated with each course. The four core courses are:

- (i) Strategy;
- (ii) Business Finance;
- (iii) Financial Strategies for Growth;
- (iv) Corporate Valuation.’

2. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

‘(b) Courses (i) to (iii) will each ~~may~~ be assessed by a 2-hour written examination. Course

(iv) will be assessed by a final integrative written assignment of 6,000 words, one or more of the following: written examinations, individual and group assignments, subject to the constraint that at least 50 per cent of marks in any course must be assigned to individual work. Assignments must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site, not later than 12 noon on the stipulated submission date, which will be published by the Course Director by the first module of the course. All material submitted for the integrative written assignment shall be accompanied by a statement signed by the candidate indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'

3. Remove citation reference 1.16 as follows:

~~'(c) A project report not exceeding 10,000 words on a topic agreed by the examiners. The project report must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site, not later than 12 noon on the stipulated submission date, which will be published by the Course Director by the first module of the course. All material submitted for the project report shall be accompanied by a declaration of authorship statement indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'~~

4. Amend citation reference 1.17 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

~~'2. Candidates may be examined viva voce on~~ one or more of the written examinations, assignments, and any assessment, ~~the integrative written assignment project report, or both.'~~

5. Amend citation reference 1.20 as follows (new text underlined):

~~'5. With the approval of the Programme Director, a candidate may substitute core courses any of courses (i) to (iii) on the Postgraduate Diploma with core courses from the part-time MBA, the Postgraduate Diploma in Global Business, the Postgraduate Diploma in Organisational Leadership, the Postgraduate Diploma in Strategy and Innovation, or M.Sc. in Major Programme Management, assuming that core course falls within the permitted registration period for the original Postgraduate Diploma.'~~

Explanatory Notes

Change to assessment for the final course, from a written examination plus a project report to one integrative written assignment.