

## Humanities Divisional Board

### Honour School of Literae Humaniores

**Brief note about nature of change:** Clarification of word limit for theses

#### Effective date

**For students starting from TT 2016**

**For first examination in 2017-18.**

#### Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2016 (<http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/hsoflitehuma/>)

#### Detail of change

<sup>1.203</sup>6. No thesis shall exceed 10,000 words ~~(the limit to include all notes and appendices but not including the bibliography). The word limit excludes bibliography and any appendix consisting of a catalogue of data, any research instrument used to gather data (for example, a computer programme), any extensive text which is specifically the object of an edition (e.g. a papyrus) or commentary, and any translation of that text, but includes quotations and footnotes.~~ No person or body shall have authority to permit the limit of 10,000 words to be exceeded, ~~except that, in the case of a commentary on a text and at the discretion of the chair of examiners, any substantial quoting of that text or of any translation of that text need not be included in the word limit. Where appropriate, there shall be a select bibliography and a list of sources.~~

#### Explanatory Notes

The wording of the regulation on the word limit for theses is being revised for greater clarity, following a number of queries from students. The revised wording is in line with information which has already been published in the course handbooks for students sitting FHS in 2018 and 2019.