

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action

Research Degrees in Mathematical Sciences (Computer Science, Mathematics and Statistics)

Brief note about nature of change: minor amendment required to MPLS special regulations for Mathematics thesis length.

Effective date

With effect from 1st October 2019 for all students

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2018/19

<https://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/rdinmathscie/>, citation 1.43

Detail of change

Under 6. *Thesis*

Please delete:

In *Mathematics* and in *Statistics*, the text of theses submitted for the Degree of D.Phil. shall not exceed 200 pages, A4 size, double-spaced in normal-size type, but there is no limit on references, numerical tables, diagrams, computer output, etc. The normal length of a thesis, however, is nearer 100 pages (exclusive of the material defined above).

And replace with:

In *Mathematics*, the text of theses submitted for the Degree of D.Phil. shall not exceed 200 pages, A4 size, double-spaced in normal-size type. This page limit *includes* references, appendices, numerical tables, diagrams, etc. If a candidate believes their thesis must necessarily exceed this page limit they should write to the DGS for permission to submit a longer thesis, with an explanation of why this is necessary.

In *Statistics*, the text of theses submitted for the Degree of D.Phil. shall not exceed 200 pages, A4 size, double-spaced in normal-size type, but there is no limit on references, numerical tables, diagrams, computer output, etc. The normal length of a thesis, however, is nearer 100 pages (exclusive of the material defined above).

Explanatory Notes: minor amendment required to MPLS special regulations for Mathematics, in relation to the thesis length to provide clarification and more detail about what is expected.