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

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (20/09/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Teacher Education (Part-time)

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Amendment to assignments one and two to cancel the changes to the resubmission deadline as published in the Gazette edition 08 November 2018.

2. Factual corrections to the submission requirements for assignments and the dissertation.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2019, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2019-20/mosbcite-p-time/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.4 as follows:

1.4 [For students starting from MT 2019]: 3. The M.Sc. in Teacher Education shall be examined by means of three assignments relating to the content of each of the three units and a research and development dissertation. Assignments one and two must be between 4,000 and 5,000 words in length, and assignment three must be a maximum of 10,000 words in length. All word counts include tables, charts and diagrams and assignments must be written in accordance with guidance given in the unit. Assignments one and two must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Higher Degrees Professional Programmes WebLearn site by no later than noon on Monday of Week 1 of Hilary and Trinity terms respectively. Assignment three must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Higher Degrees Professional Programmes WebLearn site by no later than noon on the third Friday in September in the candidate’s first year of the course.
2. Amend citation 1.5 as follows:

1.54. The deadline for resubmission of assignments one and two will be noon on the Monday falling 8-14 weeks after the initial submission date, following the term in which the unit is taken. The deadline for resubmission of assignment three will be noon on Monday of week 1 of Hilary term in the candidate’s second year of the course.

3. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

1.8[For students starting from MT 2019: 6. The research and development dissertation will present a systematic account of a substantial practitioner research enquiry, focused on the design and implementation of a specific innovation in teacher education with a strong emphasis on the choice of appropriate criteria, and relevant evidence for evaluating its impact. The dissertation must be between 15,000 and 20,000 words in length. The dissertation must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Higher Degrees Professional Programmes WebLearn site by no later than noon on the third Friday in September in the candidate’s second year on the course. One printed copy of the dissertation must also be provided hard bound bearing the name of the candidate, and proof of posting by the submission date must be scanned and sent to the Chair of Examiners, M.Sc. Teacher Education, c/o Department of Education, 15 Norham Gardens, Oxford, OX2 6PY. The hard bound copy of the research and development project report of each candidate who passes the examination will be retained by OUDE for deposit in the departmental library.]

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to assignments one and two to cancel the changes to the resubmission deadline as published in the Gazette edition 08 November 2018. The resubmission date will remain 14 weeks after the initial submission date for students starting from MT 2019. The originally proposed resubmission date eight weeks after the initial submission date left students with two weeks to revise their work after they learn their results, which is very short notice given that candidates on the course are generally full-time professionals.

Factual corrections to the submission requirements for assignments and the dissertation.