

Education Committee**Approved by the Graduate Panel of Education Committee on 12 December 2014****Regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy**

This change removes an inconsistency in the regulations for Confirmation of Status, clarifying that the requirement is that the assessment will be completed by the end of the relevant term, rather than just that the application will have been submitted, in line with other parts of the regulations.

With effect from 26 April 2015**Location of change**

In *Examination Regulations 2014*

Detail of change

On p. 775, l. 16-31, amend the text as shown below:

1. A candidate who has been admitted to the status of Student for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy must, not later than the ninth term or normally earlier than the sixth term after that in which he or she was initially admitted to the status of a Probationer Research Student or to the status of a student for another higher degree of the University, or the eighteenth and twelfth terms respectively in the case of a part-time student, ~~apply to the faculty board or committee concerned~~ complete the assessment process prescribed by the relevant board for confirmation of his or her status as a D.Phil. Student. A board or committee may, for good reason, permit a candidate to defer for a maximum of three terms his or her application for confirmation of status. A student who has been admitted to the status of Student for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy after successfully completing the requirements for the Degree of Master (or Bachelor) of Philosophy, or having held the status of Student for the M.Litt. or M.Sc. by Research, may be exempted by the board or committee concerned from the requirement for confirmation of status. With the exception of students who have been exempted under this provision, all Students for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy must have their status confirmed before making an application for the appointment of examiners.

Explanatory Notes