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

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (31/01/2020)

Preliminary Examination in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

Brief note about nature of change: Correction to re-sit arrangements

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2019*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2019-20/peip-poliandecon/administratorview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2020

For first examination from 2020-21

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.5 as follows:

1.52. Every candidate must take the relevant examination in all three subjects at the end of Trinity Term of their first year and must pass all three subjects to pass the PPE Preliminary Examination. Candidates who fail any subject must re-sit the examination in that subject at the next available attempt (normally September). Candidates who fail one subject at first attempt may re-sit that subject at the next available attempt (normally September). Candidates who fail two or three subjects at first attempt will be required to re-sit the whole PPE Preliminary Examination at the next available attempt (normally September).

Explanatory Notes

The re-sit arrangements are currently not following University policy:

For candidates who fail the First Public Examination at their first attempt and pass fewer than 50% of the examination papers, University regulations provide for these candidates to re-sit the whole examination on one further occasion, at the earliest available opportunity. Candidates who fail the examination but who pass at least 50% of the papers are only required to re-sit the papers they have failed, at the earliest available opportunity. (*Policy and Guidance for Undergraduate Learning and*

Teaching, section 7.47)

The re-sit arrangements in the regulations are therefore to be corrected.