Continuing Education Board

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Diploma in Theological Studies

New course for the Department of Continuing Education, replaces the Diploma in Theological and Pastoral Studies offered by the Faculty of Theology and Religion

With effect from 1 October 2014

In Examination Regulations 2013 p 1083

after line 48 insert

**Theological Studies**

1. The course shall consist of lectures, tutorials, seminars and/or classes on the subject of Theology. The course is available on a full-time basis, taken over a period of three terms, or on a part-time basis taken over a period of six terms.

2. Candidates may be permitted under certain circumstances to suspend status for a maximum of six terms. Any such period shall not count towards the minimum and maximum periods of registration, and no fee liability will be incurred during such periods.

3. Candidates will normally be expected to have satisfactorily completed the Undergraduate Certificate in Theological Studies. Applications for dispensation from this requirement will be considered, in exceptional circumstances only, by the Continuing Education Board. To be dispensed from this requirement, candidates must demonstrate that they have undertaken equivalent study to an equivalent standard.
Part One

4. Every candidate will be required to satisfy the examiners in the following:

(a) Attendance at classes and other sessions as indicated in the course handbook

(b) Written assignments or examination papers as specified, for six papers, to include:

   i. At least one of A1 or A2 from Part 1 of the Schedule for the Degree of Bachelor of Theology;
   ii. At least one of A3 or A4 from the Part 1 schedule;
   iii. At least one of A5–A10 from the Part 1 schedule;
   iv. Three other papers from the Part 1 schedule.

Part Two

5. Every candidate will be required to satisfy the examiners in the following:

(a) Attendance at classes and other sessions as indicated in the course handbook

(b) Written assignments or examination papers as specified, for a further six papers, to include:

   i. Paper B1 or B2 of Part 2 of the Schedule for the Degree of Bachelor of Theology;
   ii. Paper C1 or C2 from the Part 2 schedule;
   iii. At least one of papers D1–D7 from Section D of the Part 2 schedule;
   iv. Three other papers from papers B1 or B2, C1 or C2, or D1–7 of the Part 2 schedule, or A11 or A12 from the Part 1 schedule, unless already offered for the Undergraduate Certificate.

The written work under 4(b) and 5(b) will be submitted to the Examiners for the Diploma in Theological Studies, Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, for consideration by such dates as the examiners shall determine and shall notify candidates.

6. Candidates may be expected to attend a viva voce examination at the end of the course.

7. The examiners may award a distinction to candidates for the Diploma.

8. For any candidate who is successful in the examination for the Undergraduate Diploma in Theological Studies and who has already successfully completed the Undergraduate Certificate in Theological Studies (and for the diploma examination has incorporated the assignments
submitted or examinations taken for the Undergraduate Certificate) the Undergraduate Diploma will subsume his or her Certificate.

9. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in the written work or the examinations under 4(b) or 5(b) may be permitted to resubmit work in respect of part or parts of the examination which they have failed, on not more than one occasion, which shall normally be within one year of the initial failure.