Humanities Divisional Board

Communication from the Board of the Faculty of Oriental Studies

Master of Philosophy in Oriental Studies (Modern Chinese Studies)

Brief note about nature of change: Change to timing of resits.

With effect from 1 October 2014

In Examination Regulations 2013, p.581

I. 35, after ‘first year of the course,’ insert ‘except for Study of Modern China which may be retaken at the end of Trinity Term of the first year of the course.’

Explanatory Note

The ‘Study of Modern China’ paper is examined at the beginning of Hilary Term of the first year. Students are required to spend at least three months abroad and students usually leave for their time abroad in August in their first year because the academic year for Chinese universities starts in late August. The resits in the Long Vacation start on 1 September when the students are already abroad and are unable to come back to Oxford for the resits. The change allows the resit of paper ‘Study of Modern China’ to take place at the end of Trinity Term of the first year so that students can complete the resit for this paper before they go abroad.