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

Social Sciences Board

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Title of Programme

MSc Economics for Development

Brief note about nature of change: amendment to assessment structure for one paper, and minor text revisions

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2015
For first examination from 2015-16

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2014

Detail of change

1. P645, l12 – l46:

1. Every candidate for the M.Sc. must follow a course of instruction in Economics for Development for at least three terms. Candidates will, when entering for the examination, be required to produce a certificate from their society to this effect.
2. The examination will consist of:

   (a) the following written papers, the syllabuses for which are given in the schedule:

   i. Macroeconomic Theory
   ii. Microeconomic Theory
   iii. Development Economics
   iv. Quantitative Methods
(b) an extended essay.

The extended essay shall be on a topic falling within the general field of development economics. The essay topic shall be selected by the student in consultation with the supervisor, and approved by the Course Director by the end of the first week of the Trinity Full Term in which the examination is taken. The maximum length and form of the extended essay and instructions for submission will be communicated to candidates by the Chair of Examiners.

3. The candidate may also be examined orally.
4. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.

Schedule

(i) Macroeconomic Theory

Questions will be set on aspects of macroeconomic theory, including questions related to international trade, central to the study of economic development. Full details of course content and structure will be provided in the M.Sc. Economics for Development Handbook published at the beginning of Michaelmas Full Term of the academic year in which the examination is taken.

(ii) Microeconomic Theory

Questions will be set on aspects of microeconomic theory, including questions related to international trade, central to the study of economic development. Full details of course content and structure will be provided in the M.Sc. Economics for Development Handbook published at the beginning of Michaelmas Full Term of the academic year in which the examination is taken.

(i) Economic Theory

Questions will be set on aspects of microeconomic theory, macroeconomic theory and international trade central to the study of economic development. Full details of course content and structure will be provided in the M.Sc. Economics for Development Handbook published at the beginning of Michaelmas Full Term of the academic year in which the examination is taken.

(ii) Development Economics

Questions will be set on topics in development economics from a series of taught modules. The modules offered, which may vary from year to year, will normally be listed in the M.Sc. Economics for Development Handbook issued at the beginning of Michaelmas Full Term of the academic year in which the examination is taken, or as an addendum to the Handbook no later than 8th week of Michaelmas Full Term. The modules offered, which may vary from year to year, will be listed in the M.Sc. Economics for Development Handbook issued at the beginning of Michaelmas Full Term of the academic year in which the examination is taken.
(iii) Quantitative Methods

Questions will be set on the theory and practice of quantitative methods used in the study of economic development. Full details of course content and structure will be provided in the M.Sc. Economics for Development Handbook published at the beginning of Michaelmas Full Term of the academic year in which the examination is taken.

Explanatory Notes

Change of structure to Economic Theory paper, and minor text revision for Development Economics