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

Social Sciences Board

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Title of programme
MSc Teaching English Language in University Settings

Brief note about nature of change:
Introduction of new programme

Effective date
With immediate effect

Location of change
Examination Regulations 2012

Detail of change
1. P.776, after l.12, insert:

‘Teaching English Language in University Settings

1. The part-time course is open only to candidates who are currently enrolled upon the Postgraduate Diploma in Teaching English Language in University Settings (PGDip TELUS), and who have submitted a satisfactory dissertation proposal for approval by the Departmental Board. Candidates will normally apply by Hilary Term of their second PGDip TELUS year; successful candidates will initially be offered a place conditional on passing the PGDip TELUS at an appropriate level (normally a mark of at least 65). Entries will be confirmed after the Examination Board at the beginning of Trinity Term.

2. Candidates will be required to submit a dissertation of between 15,000 and 20,000 words
(including footnotes/endnotes but excluding appendices and references or bibliography) on a subject selected by the candidate in consultation with the supervisor, which must be closely related to one or more of the themes of the course, and has been approved by the Departmental Board.

3. Three word processed or printed copies of the dissertation must be delivered to the Chairman of the Examiners, M.Sc. Teaching English Language in University Settings, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, OX2 6PY no later than noon of the last Friday in August of the year in which the examination for the final postgraduate diploma module has been taken.

4. One copy should be hard bound and two soft bound, the latter of which should be anonymous except for the candidate number. The hard bound copy of the dissertation of each candidate who passes the examination shall be retained by the department for deposit in the departmental library. The dissertation must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate’s own work.

5. The pass mark for the dissertation will be 50. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the examination.

6. The candidate may also be examined orally. The oral examination will only be on the candidate’s dissertation.

7. Successful students will be awarded the degree of Master of Science, which will subsume the award of the Diploma. If the dissertation is awarded a failing mark, the candidate may resubmit the dissertation one further time on the next occasion when it is examined. If a failing mark is received, either at the time of the original submission (and the candidate does not wish to re-sit) or after re-submission, students will retain the award of the Diploma.'

2. P.678, l.31-34, delete ‘Every candidate shall be required to complete Parts 1 and 2...required to complete only part 2.’

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of new programme to replace the existing route to progress from the Postgraduate Diploma in TELUS to the MSC Applied Linguistics and Second Language Acquisition. The new route represents a more appropriate progression between programmes.