## Changes to Examination Regulations 2011

**Medical Sciences Board**

**Approved:** 5 October 2011

**Title of Programme:** MSc in Psychological Research

**Brief note about nature of change:** To amend the assessment methods for the Statistical Theory and Methods module.

**Effective date:** With immediate effect (for first examination in the 2011-12 academic year)

**Location of change:** Examination Regulations 2011

**Details of change:**

1. In *Examination Regulations*, 2011, p. 751, delete ll. 14-19 and substitute:

   ‘Each candidate shall be required to submit a series of reports based on SPSS data analyses carried out during the workshops. Each of the reports will be assessed on a pass/fail basis.

   The deadline for each submission shall be notified to students at the start of the course. Candidates will submit each report to the Graduate Administrator in the Department of Experimental Psychology. Students who submit a report below the standard required for a pass may submit a revised report within four weeks of being notified of the outcome.

   Each candidate shall also be required to sit a two-hour written examination. The examination will be marked on a pass/fail basis and candidates failing to reach the required standard will have one further opportunity to enter for the examination before the end of the academic year.’

**Explanatory Notes**

This change removes the requirement for students to submit an essay as part of this module – this method of assessment is no longer considered appropriate by the course committee. Instead, students will be required to submit a series of statistical reports and undertake a formal examination.

Incoming students will be notified of the revised assessment arrangements at the beginning of the course.