

Education Committee

Approved at the meeting of Taught Degrees Panel of Education Committee of 5 March 2019

General Regulations for Postgraduate Diplomas (Continuing Education)

Brief note about nature of change: Introduction of time limit for resits and clarification of resit opportunities.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2018, General Regulations for Postgraduate Diplomas (Continuing Education), <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/grfpd-ceduc/>

Effective date

For students starting from MT19

Detail of change

1. Insert after citation reference 1.8 as follows (new text is underlined):

8. A candidate who has failed to satisfy the examiners in the examination may enter again for the examination on one, but not more than one, subsequent occasion. Unless the special regulations for the examination specify otherwise, this resit attempt shall normally be taken at the next opportunity, but may be deferred once, i.e. it must be taken at one of the next two opportunities. No candidate who has satisfied the examiners in the examination may enter again for the same examination.

2. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows (deleted text is struck through; new text is underlined):

~~8~~ 9. The examiners may award a merit for work of particularly high quality in the whole examination or a distinction for excellence in the examination. Candidates who have initially failed any element of assessment shall not normally be eligible for the award of merit or distinction.

Explanatory Notes

Taught Degrees Panel of Education Committee decided at its meeting of 5 March 2019 that general regulations for awards in the Department for Continuing Education should set time limits on taking resits, and that these provisions in general regulations should apply unless otherwise specified in special regulations. The opportunity has also been taken to make clear that candidates are only entitled to one resit, and cannot enter again for the examination if they have satisfied the examiners at the first attempt, for consistency with other general regulations.