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HUMANITIES DIVISIONAL BOARD Approved on 5 June 2017 Title of Programme Master of Studies in English Brief note about nature of change: Change to transcription test date Effective date For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination in 2017-18

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2016 (https://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mostudinengl/)

Detail of change

^{1.19} Candidates offering the course in bibliography, palaeography and theories of text in the period up to 1550 under B will be required to pass a test in transcription and dating at the end in week 5 of Hilary Term. Those who do not achieve a satisfactory mark in the test will be required to retake it at the start of Trinity Term. Any candidate not achieving a satisfactory mark at that stage will be deemed to have failed the whole examination. The test will not contribute to the final marks awarded by the examiners.

Explanatory Notes

The current timing of the transcription test is problematic, as it impinges on two essay submission deadlines in Hilary term. The proposed change will alleviate some of this pressure, allowing students to focus on their B and C course essays during the second half of Hilary term.