

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

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### Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (13/12/2019)

### Master of Science by Coursework in Educational Assessment (Part-time)

**Brief note about nature of change:** Strike clause on capping of marks following failure of summative assessment.

### Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2019*, <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2019-20/mosbcieducasse-p-t/administratorview/>

### Effective date

**For students starting from 2020-21**

**For first examination from 2021-22**

### Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.6 as follows:

~~1.6~~ 6. If a candidate receives a failing mark for any of the summative assessments, they may resubmit the assessment on one further occasion normally when the assessment is next examined the following year. If a candidate fails the dissertation, they may resubmit the dissertation one further time on the next occasion when this is examined. ~~Candidates who fail any of the core papers or the option paper at the first attempt cannot normally be awarded more than 50 at resubmission. Second attempts at dissertations will not be capped unless provided for under General Regulations.~~

### Explanatory Notes

Striking the clause on capping of marks following failure of summative assessment will facilitate easier changes to the penalties for summative work as detailed in the Examination Conventions. The change also allows the penalties following failure of dissertations to be brought in line with departmental policy: all resit marks will be capped at 50.