

1415-08-HUG

Mathematical, Physical & Life Sciences Division/Faculty Board

Approved at the meeting of

Chemistry Academic Board (HT 2015)

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation

Honour School of Chemistry

Brief note about nature of change:

The reason for the first two changes is that current regs only permit students who have failed the practical course to repeat practicals they have failed. This is unnecessarily limiting, and also obliges the department to make those practicals available, even though they may be discontinued or out of order.

The additional paragraph is that one possible scenario is not covered by the current regs, viz. when a student has failed to complete the practical requirement and has also failed the exams.

Effective date

Immediate

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2014

P 148 line 38: replace www.chem.ox.ac.uk/teaching/UndergradHandbook.pdf with "www.chem.ox.ac.uk/teaching/oxfordonly/UndergradHandbook.pdf"

On p. 150, I. 24-35

A candidate who in Part I (i.e. Part IA and Part IB together) obtains only a pass, or fails to satisfy the examiners, may enter again for Part IB of the examination on one, but no more than one, subsequent occasion subject to the following limitations. Part IB consists of two parts, a set of written examinations and the practical course. A candidate may fail to be

awarded honours at Part I for any of the following reasons. The precise circumstances will determine which parts of Part IB may be re-taken/re-entered for.

(i) The overall mark at Part I is insufficient for honours, but the honours practical requirement set out in ~~el.11- cl. A.9 below~~ above is complete and the practical mark is sufficient for honours. In this case the candidate will only be permitted to re-enter the Part IB written examinations, and the Practical mark will be carried forward.

(ii) The overall mark at Part I is insufficient for honours, and although the marks for the Part I written examination are sufficient for honours and sufficient practicals have been completed to fulfil the requirement set out in ~~el.11- cl. A.9 below~~ above, the marks for the practical course are not sufficient for honours. In this case the candidate will only be permitted to re-enter to ~~repeat failed practicals~~ complete the practical course to honours standard. The marks for the written examination will be carried forward.

(iii) The overall mark at Part I is insufficient for honours, and although sufficient practicals have been completed to fulfil the requirement set out in ~~el.11- cl. A.9 above~~ below, the marks for both the written examination and the practical course are insufficient for honours. In this case, the candidate shall be permitted both to re-enter the Part IB written examinations and to ~~repeat failed practicals~~ complete the practical course to honours standard.

(iv) The practical requirement set out in ~~el.11- cl. A.9 below~~ above is incomplete, but the marks in the Part I written examination are sufficient for honours. In this case the candidate will only be permitted to re-enter to complete the practical requirement to honours standard. The written examination marks will be carried forward.

(v) The practical requirement set out in cl. A.9 above is incomplete and the overall mark -obtained in Part I is insufficient for honours. In this case the candidate shall be permitted both to re-enter the Part IB examination and to complete the practical requirement to honours standard.

Explanatory Notes