

Mathematical, Physical & Life Sciences Division

Approved by the MSc in Applied Statistics Supervisory Committee, March 2015

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Statistics

Brief note about nature of change: Clarification that this is a Postgraduate Diploma. Removal of obsolete clauses. Addition of clauses on award of distinction and single resit.

Effective date

With immediate effect

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2014

Detail of changes

1. Page 903, Title, insert

Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Statistics

2. page 903, lines 6-8 , insert

1. The Divisional Board of Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences shall have power to grant Postgraduate Diplomas in Applied Statistics to candidates who have satisfied the conditions prescribed in this section.

3. page 903, lines 9-10, insert

2. The examination for the Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Statistics shall be under the supervision of the Divisional Board of Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences.

4. page 903, lines 11-13, delete

~~3. The Divisional Board of Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences shall have power to arrange lectures and courses of instruction for the Diploma in Applied Statistics.~~

5. page 903, line 14-16, renumber

~~4.~~ 3. Subject to the provisions of this section, any member of the University may be admitted to the course and to the examination who has obtained the leave of the Divisional Board of Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences, provided that

6. page 903, lines 24-28, renumber

~~5.~~ 4. Applications for leave under the preceding clauses shall be sent to the Registrar through the head or tutor of the society to which the applicant belongs or desires to belong. The board shall have power to determine the character and length of a course of study to be followed by the applicant before he may be admitted to the examination.

7. page 903, lines 29-36, Renumber and replace text

~~6.~~ 5. On admitting an applicant as a candidate for the postgraduate diploma, the board shall appoint a supervisor who shall direct and superintend the work of the candidate.

The supervisor shall submit ~~send~~ a report on the progress of the candidate to the board at the end of each term (except the term in which the student enters for the examination) and at any other time when the board so requests or ~~he~~ the supervisor believes it expedient. In particular ~~he~~ the supervisor shall inform the board at once if he or she is of the opinion that a student is unlikely to reach the standard required for the postgraduate diploma. ~~The Registrar shall send a copy of each report by the supervisor to the student's society.~~

8. page 903, lines 37-41 and page 904, lines 1-6, Renumber and insert

~~7.~~ 6. After admission as a Postgraduate Diploma Student, a candidate must have kept statutory residence and pursued a course of study at Oxford for at least three terms before taking the examination, provided that a candidate for the Degree of Master of Science (Applied Statistics) may, with the approval of the Divisional Board of Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences, transfer to the status of a Student for the Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Statistics not later than the last day of Hilary Term in the year in which the written examination is to be taken, in which case the date of his or her admission as a Student for the Degree of Master of Science shall be reckoned as the date of his or her admission as a postgraduate diploma student; time spent outside Oxford during term as part of an academic programme approved by Council shall count towards residence for the purpose of this clause.

9. page 904, lines 7-9, renumber and insert

~~8.~~ 7. A Student reading for the postgraduate diploma who is not a graduate of the University may wear the same gown as that worn by Students for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

10. page 904, line 10, renumber, delete and insert

~~9.~~ 8. The examiners may award a distinction ~~to a candidate for the diploma~~ for excellence in the whole examination. Candidates who have initially failed any element of assessment shall not normally be eligible for the award of distinction.

11. page 904, after line 10, insert

9. A candidate who failed to satisfy the examiners in any one of the examinations, may enter again for that examination on one, but not more than one, subsequent occasion.

12. page 904, line 15-17, delete

~~2. Candidates shall follow for at least three terms a course of instruction in Statistics, and will, when entering their name for the examination, be required to produce from their society a certificate that they are doing so.~~

Explanatory Notes

Addition of word Postgraduate to Diploma to clarify the nature of the course. Addition of clauses on award of distinction and on single resit, in line with the general regulations for the degree of Master of Science by Coursework.