

Planning and Resource Allocation Committee and Education Committee

(1) Regulations on Financial Matters

Clarification of basis for setting Visiting and Recognised Student fee rates

Explanatory Note

Under existing arrangements, Visiting and Recognised students pay a University fee that is 50% of the 'overseas' fee rate that applies to the relevant subject area; and, where the student is studying across subject areas that carry different fees, the applicable fee rate is that which applies to the larger portion of their studies. Discussions have recently taken place to clarify the position in respect of any student who is studying two or more subjects in equal proportions. The Planning and Resource Allocation and Education Committees and the Conference of Colleges have agreed that, in the case of two subjects equally weighted, the fee should be charged at the level applying to the subject that carries the higher fee, while in the case of three subjects weighted equally, the fee should be charged at the level applying to the subject that carries the mid-level fee. The following change in regulations formally provides for this. It also reinstates detailed wording about the basis for the University fees (ie that they are charged at 50% of the relevant overseas fee rate) which was previously included in the regulations (*Examination Regulations* 2013, p1129, ll13–25), but which was by oversight removed as part of a streamlining process following a review of the regulations in 2014 (*Gazette* No 5056, 27 March 2014, p390).

Text of Regulations

With immediate effect

In *Examination Regulations* 2014, p1016, delete ll17–21 and substitute:

'2. Every person on the Register of Recognised Students or on the Register of Visiting Students shall pay a University fee at the appropriate annual rate on the basis set out below, and as published at www.ox.ac.uk/feesandfunding/fees/information/universityrates or available from the Planning and Resource Allocation Section for each term in which he or she is studying in the University.

(a) for Recognised Students, fees shall be payable at 50% of the "overseas" graduate research fee rate specified for the relevant subject area; in cases where a Recognised Student is studying across subject areas with different fee rates, the applicable fee rate shall be that which applies to the larger portion of their studies; in the case of two subjects equally weighted, the fee rate shall be that which applies to the subject that carries the higher fee; in the case of three subjects weighted equally, the fee rate shall be that which applies to the subject that carries the mid-level fee.

(b) for Visiting Students, fees shall be payable at 50% of the "overseas" undergraduate fee rate specified for the relevant subject area; in cases where the subject is not offered at undergraduate level, fees shall be payable at 50% of the "overseas" graduate research fee rate as specified for the relevant subject area; in cases where a Visiting Student is studying across subject areas with different fee rates, the applicable fee rate shall be that which applies to the larger portion of their studies; in the case of two subjects equally weighted, the fee rate shall

be that which applies to the subject that carries the higher fee; in the case of three subjects weighted equally, the fee rate shall be that which applies to the subject that carries the mid-level fee.'