Humanities Divisional Board

Approved by Education Committee on 28 June 2018

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation
Master of Philosophy in Modern Languages

Brief note about nature of change: 1) Change to submission deadline 2) Introduction of online submission

Location of change
In Examination Regulations 2017 (http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopinmodelang/)

Effective date
For students starting from MT 2017
For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1.23 Candidates must submit three typed copies to the Head of Examinations and Assessments, Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon on Thursday of tenth week of Hilary Term.

The essays should be formatted and submitted electronically as specified in the course handbook, by noon on Thursday of Week 10 of Hilary Term.

1.24 Each copy must have a cover sheet giving the candidate’s name, college, the title of the essay, the name of the candidate’s supervisor, and the title of the ‘method’ option submitted.

1.25 The work submitted under (i), (ii) or (iv) must be written in English; the work submitted under (iii) may be written in English or German.

1.26 (B) A thesis, which may be written in English or, with the approval of the Medieval and Modern Languages Faculty Board, in the language appropriate to the literature concerned, of approximately 20,000 words and not more than 25,000 words, on a subject approved by the Board or by a person or
persons to whom the Board may delegate this function. The subject of the thesis shall be related either to the fields of study represented by (A) (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above or to one or more of the candidate’s Special Subjects (C). When seeking approval for the subject of the thesis, every candidate shall submit with the proposed title a written statement of not more than 500 words explaining the scope of the topic and the manner in which it is proposed to treat it. Candidates are required to register the subject area or title of their dissertation with the Modern Languages Graduate Office by the end of the fourth week Week 4 of Hilary Term of their second year. The thesis must be presented in proper scholarly form. Three copies typed in double spacing on one side only of quarto or A4 paper, each copy bound or held firmly in a stiff cover, must be delivered to the Head of Examinations and Assessments, Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon on Thursday of the sixth week of Trinity Term of the second year. The thesis should be formatted and submitted electronically as specified in the course handbook, by noon on Thursday of Week 7 of Trinity Term.

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The Special Subject essays shall be submitted to the Head of Examinations and Assessments, High Street, Oxford. The Special Subject should be formatted and submitted electronically as specified in the course handbook. The special subject for Michaelmas Term should be submitted by noon on Thursday of tenth week Week 10 of Michaelmas Term of the candidate’s first year. The special subject for Hilary Term should be submitted by noon on Thursday of tenth week Week 10 of Hilary Term of the candidate’s first year. The self-devised special subject should be submitted by noon on Thursday of week four Week 4 of Michaelmas Term of the candidate’s second year. Each copy must have a cover sheet giving the candidate’s name, college, the title of the essay, the name of the candidate’s supervisor, and the title of the ‘Special Subject’ option submitted.

Explanatory Notes

1) This change extends the submission deadline for the thesis from Week 6 to Week 7. The change is implemented in response to student concerns and gives them an additional week to submit their dissertation. Written permission has been secured from all on-course students.

2) The change introduces online submission of essays and dissertations. This change is implemented in response to student requests. Written permission has been secured from all on-course students.