

Humanities Divisional Board

Approved by officers on behalf of the Board on 12 July 2018

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation

Master of Studies in Ancient Philosophy

Brief note about nature of change:

Clarification of resit provisions

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* (<https://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosinanciphil/>)

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018.

For first examination from 2018-19.

Detail of change

~~1.11~~ 11. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination. A candidate who fails ~~any one of the four~~ one or more elements of the examination (~~i.e. one of the three essays or the thesis~~) may apply to retake that element ~~them either~~ in the September immediately following the failed examination, or in the year immediately following the failed examination, in line with the normal assessment timetable for the course. ~~It is necessary for a candidate to~~ A candidate may retake only the failed element(s) of the examination; all failed elements have to be retaken together, either in the September immediately following the examination or during the immediately following academic year. No resubmitted essay or thesis can receive a mark of more than ~~60~~50.

Explanatory Notes

In 2015 an examination regulations change was introduced that made it possible for a student to resit *any* elements for this course *either* in September *or* during the next academic year. However, the provision for resitting *more than one* element was accidentally deleted at that point in time. This examination regulations change aims to rectify this.

Moreover, the new wording makes the timetable for retaking assessments clearer/more explicit: all resits have to be taken either in September or during the next academic year; there is no option to resit some in September and others in the next academic year.

Finally, the last sentence has been updated to reflect the new maximum mark obtainable for a resit, under the new university marking scheme which has 50 as the minimum pass mark. The change also removes reference to the award of distinction, as the latter has been moved to the general regulations.