

Changes in Examination Regulations to the University Gazette – Social Sciences Division

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MSt Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: Changes to deadlines for essay and dissertation title submission deadlines, and updates to list of option papers

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mostudinarch/studentview/>

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:

‘(b) one further subject selected from Schedules B–D, to be examined by two pre-set essays (each of no more than 5,000 words). Candidates will propose essay topics in consultation with their supervisor or relevant course provider. The proposed essay titles, ~~countersigned~~ duly approved by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval of the Chair of Examiners by no later than noon on Friday of the ~~seventh~~ eighth week of the term in which the instruction for that subject is given. Candidates must upload their essays to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site by not later than noon on Monday of the first week of the term following that in which the instruction for that subject was given.

2. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:

‘The title of the dissertation must be approved by the candidate’s supervisor and by

~~the School of Archaeology's Graduate Studies Committee Chair of Examiners. The proposed dissertation topic and provisional title, duly approved by the supervisor, must be submitted to the Chair of Examiners no later than noon on Friday of the first week of Hilary Term. The final dissertation title, duly approved by the supervisor, must be submitted to the Chair of Examiners by noon on Friday of the first week of Trinity Term. The topic of the dissertation must be clearly distinct from the topics covered by pre-set essays submitted by the candidate under 5(b). The title of the dissertation must be clearly distinct from the pre-set essay titles.~~ The dissertation must be the work of the candidate alone, and aid from others must be limited to prior discussion of the subject, bibliographic advice, help with access to study material and advice on presentation. The dissertation must be a new piece of work, substantially different from any dissertation previously submitted by the candidate for a degree of this or another university. When the dissertation is submitted, it must be accompanied by a statement, signed by the candidate, confirming that these conditions have been met. ~~The proposed title of the dissertation, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval by the committee by noon on the Tuesday of the eighth week of the Michaelmas Full Term preceding the examination.~~ Candidates must upload their dissertations to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site not later than noon on the Friday of the sixth week of Trinity Full Term and should bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name. Candidates will be required to deposit one copy of the dissertation with the Examination Schools.'

3. Amend citation reference 1.11-1.20 as follows:

'Schedule A: Core Papers subjects

Ancient Maritime Societies

Archaeological Method and Theory

~~Archaeology of Eurasia~~ Chinese Archaeology

Environmental Archaeology

European Prehistory from the Mesolithic to the Bronze Age

Europe in the Early Middle Ages A.D. 400-900

Landscape Archaeology and Spatial Technology

Transformation of the Celtic World 500 BC-A.D. 100

~~Visual Cultures of the Ancient World~~

Not all Core ~~Papers~~ subjects may be available in any given year.'

4. Amend citation reference 1.21-1.45 as follows:

'Archaeology of Colonialism

Archaeology of Eurasia

Archaeology of Early Anglo-Saxon England

Archaeology of Late Anglo-Saxon England

Archaeology and Geographical Information Systems

Archaeology and Material Culture

Archaeology of Southern African Hunter-gatherers

Body and Adornment Material Culture of Later Medieval Britain, A.D. 1000-1500

Chinese Archaeology

City, country and economy in the Late Roman Empire (fourth-seventh centuries A.D.)

~~Coinage and Society in Anglo-Saxon England~~

~~Cultural Heritage and Law: History~~

Farming and States in Sub-Saharan Africa

~~Formation of the Islamic World~~

Hunter-gatherers in World Perspective

~~Interdisciplinary Approaches to Chinese Ceramics: From Early Vessels to Export Wares~~

Maritime Archaeology up to A.D. 1000

Methods and Techniques in Maritime Archaeology

~~Object Analysis and Research Methods~~

Palaeolithic and Mesolithic Europe

Palaeolithic Archaeology

~~Palaeolithic Asia~~

Practical Archaeobotany

Regional studies in Australian and Pacific prehistory

Topics in Aegean Prehistory

Not all ~~Core Papers~~ Schedule B Options may be available in any given year.'

5. Amend citation reference 1.51 as follows:

'8. The subjects to be offered by the candidates and their method of examination, duly approved by their supervisors, must be submitted for approval to the School of Archaeology's Graduate Studies Committee ~~in time for its meeting in eighth~~ by noon of Friday of seventh week of the Michaelmas Full Term preceding the examination.

Notice of ~~options~~ subjects to be offered by candidates must be given to the Registrar (via Student Self Service) not later than Friday of the eighth week of that same term.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to deadlines for submission of essay and dissertation titles and to update the list of option papers. One option has been renamed from 'Interdisciplinary Approaches to Chinese Ceramics' to 'Chinese Archaeology – no content change – and moved to the core subjects list. One option paper, 'Archaeology of Eurasia' has been moved to the options list. Six option papers are no longer running.