

Humanities Divisional Board

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

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation

Bachelor of Philosophy

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Removal of reference to award of distinction
2. Change to mark obtainable for a resit

Location of change

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

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018.

For first examination from 2019-20.

Detail of change

~~1.107. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.~~

1.118. Candidates who fail up to two essays will be permitted to resubmit those essays at any of the subsequent essay submission dates during the first or second year of their studies, or at the thesis submission date in their second year. A resubmitted essay may be on a new topic, and may be on a new subject, provided that the distribution requirement is met. Candidates who fail the thesis but who receive passing marks on all their essays will be permitted to resubmit an amended or different thesis by 10 a.m. on Wednesday of noughth week of the Hilary Term of the year following the whole examination. Candidates who fail three or more essays or two or more essays and the thesis will be permitted to resubmit work for the failed elements of the examination in the following academic year (or over four terms for candidates who fail more than five essays or more than four essays and the thesis). Candidates need only resubmit work for those elements of the Examination that they failed, but no resubmitted essay or thesis can receive a mark of more than 50 ~~60~~. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners a second time in any part of the examination may not resubmit work for any part of the examination on any subsequent occasion.

Explanatory Notes

This change confirms 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.