

Humanities Divisional Board

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

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation

Master of Studies in Philosophy of Physics

Brief note about nature of change:

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

Location of change

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

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018.

For first examination from 2018-19.

Detail of change

~~1.13~~7. Candidates who have not delivered any essay(s) as prescribed by the due dates above shall, unless they show exceptional cause to the examiners, be deemed to have failed the essay in question ~~withdrawn from the examination.~~

~~1.14~~8. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.

(...)

~~1.16~~10. A candidate who fails one element of the examination (i.e. one of the four essays), which has not been compensated in line with the provisions made under paragraph 9., may apply to retake that element either in the September immediately following the examination, or in the year immediately following the failed examination, in line with the normal assessment submission timetable for the course. A candidate who fails two or more elements may retake the examination in the year immediately following the failed examination. It is necessary for a candidate to retake only the failed elements of the examination. No resubmitted essay can receive a mark of more than 50 ~~60~~.

Explanatory Notes

This is to conform a belated removal from the regulations of a change to provision for withdrawal that was introduced by Education Committee in 2017 and has been correctly present in the Examination Conventions for this course since 2017/18. This change also removes reference to the award of distinction, as this has been moved to the general regulations. Finally, the change confirms the new maximum mark obtainable for a resit, which has 50 as the minimum pass mark under the new marking scheme introduced by Education Committee in 2017-18.