

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

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Social Sciences Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 06/07/16

Title of Programme

MSc Social Science of the Internet (Full-time)

Brief note about nature of change: reordering of text, updates to text and change to require online submission

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2016

For first examination from 2016-17

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2015

Detail of change

Master of Science by Coursework in Social Science of the Internet [For students starting from MT 2016:(Full-time)]

1. Candidates must follow for three terms a course of instruction in Social Science of the Internet.

2. The examination will be in eleven parts, as follows:

Part 1: Compulsory core methods paper in 'Digital Social Research Methods: Methods Core' assessed by written coursework. Details of and arrangements for submission of the written coursework shall be notified to candidates by the end of 4th week of Michaelmas Term.

Part 2: Compulsory core paper in 'Digital Social Research Methods: Statistics Core'

assessed by examinations.

Parts 3-4: Four (4) methods option modules, to be chosen from a list to be published on the Oxford Internet Institute annually by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term. Students will normally select two modules from the first four-week period and two modules from the second four-week period of the list. Students wishing to take three options during a single four-week period must first seek permission from the Director of Graduate Studies. Not all methods options may be available every year. The methods option papers will be assessed by arrangements which are specified in the reading lists for each module, details and arrangements for submission of which shall be notified to candidates by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term.

Part 7:A: Compulsory core paper in 'Social Dynamics of the Internet', assessed by examination.

Part 8:B: Compulsory core paper in 'Internet Technologies and Regulation', assessed by examination.

~~C. Compulsory core methods paper in 'Digital Social Research Methods: Methods Core' assessed by written coursework. Details of and arrangements for submission of the written course work shall be notified to candidates by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term.~~

~~D. Compulsory core paper in 'Digital Social Research Methods: Statistics Core' assessed by examinations.~~

~~E. Four (4) methods option modules, to be chosen from a list to be published on the Oxford Internet Institute annually by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term. Students will normally select two modules from the first four-week period and two modules from the second four-week period of the list. Students wishing to take three options during a single four-week period must first seek permission from the Director of Graduate Studies. Not all methods options may be available every year. The methods option papers will be assessed by arrangements which are specified in the reading lists for each module, details and arrangements for submission of which shall be notified to candidates by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term.~~

Parts 9-10:F: Two (2) option papers, to be chosen from a list to be published on the Oxford Internet Institute website annually by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term. Not all options may be available every year. The option papers will be assessed by ~~written coursework~~arrangements which are specified in the reading lists for each paper, details of and arrangements for submission of which shall be notified to candidates by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term.

Part 11:G: A thesis ~~of between 10,000 and not to exceed~~ 15,000 words on a topic within the subject of the course, to be specified jointly by supervisor and student, and approved by the ~~programme director~~ of the course and the Board of Examiners. ~~Two written copies of t~~he thesis must be ~~delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford~~submitted via WebLearn, by noon of the weekday on or nearest to the 1st of August of the year in which the degree is to be taken. ~~Successful candidates will be required to deposit a copy of their thesis in the Oxford Internet Institute Library.~~

3. All written assignments must be uploaded to the course WebLearn site by the times and dates specified at the start of the course. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.

43. The examiners may examine any candidate viva voce.

54. The examiners may award a Distinction for excellence in the whole examination on the basis of the material submitted to them.

Oxford 1+1 MBA programme

Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

(i) Attendance of one of the summer elective programmes offered for the Master of Business Administration to be published by the MBA Director before the first Monday of the preceding term. Candidates would be required to undertake all assessments and receive feedback, but would not obtain credit towards the MBA. Candidates are not permitted to subsequently undertake the same elective as part of the MBA programme the following year.

(ii) A formatively assessed assignment of no more than 5,000 words (including all prefatory matter and appendices) supervised by the Saïd Business School academic advisor, which will relate the Master's degree learning to an appropriate area of the MBA programme. Candidates would also be required to present a work plan related to this assignment to the 1+1 programme class.

(iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.

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