Continuing Education Board

Approved at the meeting of Education Committee 19 June 2015

MSt Historical Studies

New programme

Effective date
For students starting from 1 October 2015

Location of change
In Examination Regulations 2014

Detail of change
1) P 544 insert after Line 1
   “Historical Studies                        Continuing Education”

2) P  574 after line 35 insert

Historical Studies

1. Candidates must follow a course of instruction in Historical Studies. The course is available on a part time basis only, to be studied over a period
of three terms.

2. Candidates for admission will be required to have successfully completed the Postgraduate Certificate in Historical Studies normally not more than six terms before admission to the MSt.

3. Every candidate shall be required to satisfy the examiners in the following:
   a. Attendance at teaching, seminars and supervisions, covering the units listed in the Schedule below;
   b. Participation in preparatory work for the dissertation, consisting of three pieces of writing, and two oral presentations;
   c. A dissertation of not more than 15,000 words on a topic selected by the candidate in consultation with the supervisor and approved by the course committee.

The dissertation under clause 3(c) shall be submitted in hard copy and in digital copy to the examiners for the MSt in Historical Studies c/o Examination Schools High Street Oxford OX1 4BG, no later than noon on the first Friday in June of the year in which the course is taken.

4. Candidates may be required to attend a viva voce examination at the end of the course of studies at the discretion of the examiners.

5. The examiners may award a distinction to candidates for the MSt.

6. A candidate who fails to satisfy the examiners in the dissertation may be permitted to resubmit on one further occasion only, not later than one year after the initial failure.

7. A candidate who is successful in the examination for the MSt in Historical Studies shall have his or her Postgraduate Certificate subsumed by the Master of Studies.

Schedule

Unit 1: Using Archives and Analysing Sources

Unit 2: Theoretical Approaches to History

Unit 3: Writing History