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

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 02/03/18

Title of Programme
MPhil Comparative Social Policy

Brief note about nature of change: change of assessment for option papers

Location of change
In Examination Regulations 2017 [http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopicomp sociopoli/studentview/](http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopicomp sociopoli/studentview/)

Effective date
For students starting from MT 2018
For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:

   ‘1. One further optional paper. This will be from a list published annually by Friday of the sixth week of Michaelmas Full Term in the Department of Social Policy and Intervention or, in exceptional circumstances and with the special permission of the Course Director, from subjects outside this list.’

2. Amend citation reference 1.15 as follows:

   ‘Optional Papers’

3. Amend citation reference 1.16 as follows:

   ‘These will be from a list published annually by Friday of the sixth week of Michaelmas Full Term in the Department of Social Policy and Intervention. In exceptional circumstances and with the special permission of the Course Director, the optional paper may be from subjects outside this list. The option paper will be...’
assessed by a 4,000-5,000 word essay, to be submitted to the WebLearn site by noon on Monday of Week 10 of Hilary term. In the event of any candidate not reaching the pass mark set for the essay, one further attempt shall be permitted within the same examination year, normally at the end of the following term, though in the event of a successful resubmission only the bare pass mark shall be awarded.”

Explanatory Notes
Change from unseen written examination to submitted essay for all option papers.