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

Social Sciences Board

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Title of programme
Preliminary Examination Philosophy, Politics and Economics

Brief note about nature of change:
Changes to the *Introduction to Politics: the Theory and Practice of Demography* paper to reflect the introduction of reformed Quantitative Methods teaching into PPE prelims and associated changes to examination requirements.

Effective date
For students starting from MT 2014
For first examination from 2014-15

Location of change
Examination Regulations 2013

Detail of change
1. **P145, I22 delete** “Introduction to Politics: the Theory and Practice of Democracy” and **replace with** “Introduction to the Theory and Practice of Politics”

2. **P145, delete I25-35** “Section (b) will be in two parts. Part (b-i)...normative and empirical political research.”

3. **Delete I46 P145 to I5 p146** “(b) Analysis of Democratic Institutions... as outlined in the department’s official reading list.”

and replace with
“(b) The Practice of Politics
Questions will be set on the following topics: (i) regime types; definition and measurement of variations between types of democracy; (ii) political institutions and practice outside the advanced industrial democracies; stability, state capacity and state formation; (iii) the state and its institutions (executives, legislatures, parties and party systems, electoral systems, courts, constitutions and centre-periphery relations); (iv) parties and party systems; political values and identity politics."

Explanatory Notes
Clause 1 modifies the paper title
Clause 2 removes reference to the splitting of part b of the paper into (b-i) and (b-ii)
Clause 3 modifies the topics on which questions in part (b) of the paper will be set.