Humanities Divisional Board

Approved by officers on behalf of the Board on 19 March 2019

Master of Philosophy in Greek and/or Latin Languages and Literature

Brief note about nature of change: Clarification of word count rules and mode of assessment

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019
For first examination in 2020-21

Location of change

In Examination Regulations (http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopigallangandlite/)

Detail of change

New text underlined, deletions struck-through:

1.6. Presubmitted essays. Essays should each be of between 5,000 and 7,500 words. The word limit excludes only the bibliography. Candidates may apply to the Graduate Studies Committee no later than three weeks before the submission deadline for dispensation to exclude certain other types of material from the word-count; guidance is provided in the handbook. The essay word limit excludes only the bibliography; quotations, notes and appendices are included. A note of the word-count must be included. Candidates who edit and annotate a substantial text, or compile a substantial descriptive catalogue, may apply to Graduate Studies Committee for permission to exclude the text or catalogue in question from the word-count.

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Section D

A thesis of up to 25,000 words, on a subject to be proposed by the candidate in consultation with the supervisor, and approved by the Graduate Studies Committee in Classics. The word limit excludes only the bibliography. Candidates may apply to the Graduate Studies Committee no later than three weeks before the submission deadline for dispensation to exclude certain other types of material from the word-count; guidance is provided in the handbook. (The thesis word limit excludes only the bibliography; quotations, notes and appendices are included. A note of the word count must be included. Candidates who edit and annotate a substantial text, or compile a substantial descriptive catalogue, may apply to Graduate Studies Committee for permission to exclude the text or catalogue in question from the word count. Supervisors or others are permitted to give bibliographical help and to discuss drafts.

Explanatory Notes

Text on word count rules revised for greater clarity; readers will be referred to the course handbook for more detailed guidance.

Text revised to clarify that the mode of assessment for options borrowed from the syllabus of the MPhil in Greek and/or Roman History may not in all cases be 2 x 5,000-word essays (for example in the case of Documentary Papyrology).