

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

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**Social Sciences Divisional Board**

**Approved by Chair's action on behalf of the Social Sciences Division Quality Assurance Committee on 4 July 2019 and by Chair's action on behalf of the Humanities Division Graduate Studies Committee on 16 July**

**Master of Philosophy in Japanese Studies**

**Brief note about nature of change:** Amendment to the assessment for qualitative methods, and removal of the research proposal assessment. Removal of the award of a distinction.

**Location of change**

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopinjapastud/studentview/>

**Effective date**

**For students starting from MT 2019**

**For first examination (first year examinations) from 2019-20**

**Detail of change**

1. Amend citation 1.13 as follows:

“(i) Research Methods for Area Studies: A take-home test on ~~Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum practical exercise in the collection and analysis of qualitative data (word limit: 2500 words including footnotes but excluding bibliography) will be released on Monday of Week 8 of Michaelmas Term with the work to be submitted to the Examination Schools by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a take-home test in quantitative analysis to be set on Monday of Week 8 with the work to be and submitted to the Examination Schools by 12 noon on Monday of Week 10 of Hilary Term; and a 2,500 word maximum individual research proposal by 12 noon Monday of week 9 of Hilary Term.~~”

2. Delete citation 1.34:

~~"12. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination."~~

**Explanatory Notes**

1. Change to the assessment for qualitative methods in the Research Methods course
2. Removal of the requirement to submit a research proposal
3. Removal of the award of Distinction as covered by General Regulation