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

Social Sciences Board

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Title of programme
MSt Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change:
Changes to the structure of the MSt programme in Archaeology in order to address the perception of students that the programme lacks structure, in addition to allowing for greater efficiency of teaching and examining

Effective date
1 October 2014

Location of change
Examination Regulations 2012

Detail of change
1. P.603 I.21, delete “and must attend the core course component seminars.” And insert “.”
2. P.603 I.24, after “subjects” insert “[Not more than one subject of the three selected may normally be taken from either one of Schedule C or D.]”.
3. P.603, I.26-30, delete “two further subjects selected from Schedules A-D. [Not more than one subject of the three selected may normally be taken from either one of Schedule C or D.] These subjects will be examined by two pre-set essays (each of 5,000 words) except that further subjects from Schedule A of the M.St in Classical Archaeology will only be examined by written paper.” And insert “one further subject selected from Schedules B-D, to be examined by two pre-set essays (each of 5,000
4. **P.603, l.31-32, delete** “In lieu of one of the subjects in (b) above, M.St (but not normally M.Phil) candidates may offer, with the permission of the committee,” **and insert** “(c)”. 

5. **P.603, l.34, after “appendices)” delete “.” and insert “, the subject to be selected from Schedules A-D.”.** 

6. **P.603, l.36-37, delete** “If the candidate has elected to be examined by pre-set essays in another part of the examination, t” **and insert** “T”. 

7. **P.604, l.4, delete “Main Subjects” and insert “Core Papers”**. 

8. **P.604, delete l.5-41, and insert**

   “Ancient Maritime Societies

   Archaeological Method and Theory

   Archaeology of Asia

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   Environmental Archaeology

   European Prehistory from the Mesolithic to the Bronze Age

   Europe in the Early Middle Ages AD 400-900

   Landscape Archaeology and Spatial Technology

   Palaeolithic Asia

   Transformation of the Celtic World 500 BC-AD 100

   Visual Cultures of the Ancient World

   **Schedule B: Options**

   Archaeology of Colonialism

   Archaeology of Early Anglo-Saxon England

   Archaeology of Late Anglo-Saxon England
Archaeology and Geographical Information Systems

Archaeology and Material Culture

Archaeology of Southern African Hunter-gatherers

Body and Adornment Material Culture of Later Medieval Britain, AD 1000-1500

Chinese Archaeology

City, country and economy in the Late Roman Empire (fourth-seventh centuries AD)

Coinage and Society in Anglo-Saxon England

Cultural Heritage and Law: History

Farming and States in Sub-Saharan Africa

Formation of the Islamic World

Hunter-gatherers in World Perspective

Maritime Archaeology up to AD 1000

Methods and Techniques in Maritime Archaeology

Object Analysis and Research Methods

Palaeolithic and Mesolithic Europe

Palaeolithic Archaeology

Practical Archaeobotany

Regional studies in Australian and Pacific prehistory

Topics in Aegean Prehistory”.

9. **P.605, I.18, after “5” insert “(b)”**.

10. **P.605, I.23, delete “Friday of the sixth week” and insert “Monday of the second week”**.

**Explanatory Notes**

Clause 1: This removes the requirement for students to attend the core course component seminars.

Clause 2: This clarifies that no more than one subject from schedules C or D (which are
subjects belonging to other Archaeology Masters programmes) can normally be taken.

Clause 3: This provides further clarification that only one subject, instead of two, can be taken from schedules B-D, and will be examined by two pre-set essays.

Clauses 4-5: This clause indicates that students are now required to undertake the dissertation of 10,000 words, as opposed to it having been optional previously, and clarifies that the subject of the dissertation is to be selected from Schedules A-D.

Clause 6: This removes a line making provisions for what the topic of the dissertation was permitted to be in relation to the previous regulations under which the dissertation was optional.

Clause 7: This represents a minor change to the wording of the title of Schedule A, in order to clarify that the options are core.

Clause 8: This clause re-organises the list of papers available from both schedules A and B, with the removal and introduction of papers across the two the two schedules.

Clause 9: This clarifies the section to be referred to in relation to the pre-set essays.

Clause 10: This changes the timing in which the two essays must be submitted, from Friday of 6th week to Monday of 2nd week in Trinity Term.