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Humanities Divisional Board

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Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation

Master of Philosophy in History

Brief note about nature of change: Change to category of assessments

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mophilinhist/administratorview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination in 2020-21

Detail of change

New text underlined, deletions struck-through:

- [1.5]4. The final examination shall comprise (i) one extended essay based on the programme's core component plus an annotated bibliography, (ii) one extended essay based on a class on the writing of History, (iv) one dissertation proposal in the first year of the programme, (v) one research methodology essay and (vi) a dissertation of not more than 30,000 words in the final year of the programme.
- [1.6]I. During Michaelmas Term of the first year, each candidate shall attend a core programme, comprising introductory lectures, strand-specific classes on sources and historiography, and mixed classes on historical theory and methodological approaches. The core course will be assessed by an extended essay of between 3,000 and 5,000 words, together with an annotated bibliography of up to 2,500 words. The essay and bibliography and proposal must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the MPhil in History Weblearn site by 12 noon on Monday of Week One of Hilary Term of the first year. The submission will require the candidate to make a declaration indicating that it is their own

work.

(...)

[1.8] In Trinity Term candidates take a class on 'Writing History' and finalise a proposal for their dissertation. The Writing History classes will be assessed by an extended essay of between 4,000 and 5,000 words. Candidates must prepare an extended dissertation proposal of between 2,000 and 2,500 words. The essay may complement but must not share significant content with the essays submitted under I. and II. above. The essay and proposal should be uploaded to the Assignments section of the MPhil in History Weblearn site by 12 noon on Monday of Week Nine of Trinity Term of the candidate's first year. The submission of the essay will require the candidate to make a declaration indicating that it is their own work.

Explanatory Notes

The Annotated Bibliography and the Dissertation Proposal will remain part of the course, but as a formative exercise rather than a formal assessment that appears on students' academic transcripts. This is more appropriate, as both the Bibliography and the Proposal are intended to aid students in completing their Dissertations, rather than be assessment components in their own right.