

**Education Committee**

**Approved on behalf of the committee on 5 April 2017; reflecting agreement by the committee of paper EdC(TT16)054 at the meeting on 6 May 2016**

**Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation**

*Regulations for the Conduct of University Examinations: Part 17 Publication of results*

**Brief note about nature of change:**

To allow for the provision of a certificate showing a deceased candidate's academic achievement in restricted circumstances.

**Location of change**

In *Examination Regulations 2016*

<http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/rftcoue-p17publofresu/>

**Effective date**

With immediate effect.

**Detail of change**

Add new item 17.17

'17.17 If the death of a candidate takes place between the completion of all the elements required for the award of a degree or other qualification and its conferral, a posthumous certificate recognising the candidate's academic achievement may be presented at the request of the candidate's family on behalf of the University. Such posthumous recognition of achievement shall be permitted in cases where application is made for recognition within five years of completion of the course. Requests for recognition will only normally be considered where the student dies within three years of completing their course.'

**Explanatory Notes**

This change, to allow for the provision of a certificate recognising a candidate's academic achievement in instances where the death of a candidate takes place between the

completion of all the elements required for the award of a degree or other qualification and its conferral, has been approved by Education Committee, General Purposes Committee and Council (on 31 October 2016).

The change does not permit examination boards any discretion to recognise the achievement of candidates who have completed most but not all of the elements required for an award, beyond that already afforded under Parts 13 and 14 of the *Regulations for the Conduct of University Examinations*.