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

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18 and on behalf of Education Committee on 19/06/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Biodiversity, Conservation and Management

Brief note about nature of change: change to require electronic submission of dissertation

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2016 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mopibiod-consandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2016
For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:

'(a) offer a thesis of not more than 30,000 words accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 300 words. The maximum word count shall include footnotes, but exclude appendices, references and the abstract. The detailed format and specification of the dissertation shall be approved by the Standing Committee, and be published in the course handbook. Two typewritten copies of the thesis must be submitted to the Examination Schools and addressed to the Chair of Examiners of the MPhil in Biodiversity, Conservation, and Management, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon of the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The thesis must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than noon on the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Successful candidates will be required to deposit one copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library, and will be required to...
sign a form stating whether they will permit their thesis to be consulted. The thesis shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the thesis is the candidate’s own work except where otherwise indicated. Both copies must bear the candidate’s examination number but not his/her name.’

**Explanatory Notes**

Vested interests: all current second year students have been consulted and are content with the change to require online submission of the thesis.