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General Purposes Committee of Council

Changes to Regulations

The General Purposes Committee of Council has made the following changes in regulations, to come into effect on 20 March.

Changes to the Professorship of Surgical Sciences

Explanatory Note

The following changes have been made to allow for the post to be open to both clinical and non-clinical applicants.

Text of Regulations

In Council Regulations 24 of 2002, concerning individual professorships, amend as follows (new text underlined, deleted text scored through):

‘Professor of Surgical Sciences

1 The Professor of Surgical Sciences shall undertake research, lecture and give instruction in Surgical Sciences.

2 The professor shall be elected by an electoral board consisting of:

(i) the Vice-Chancellor, or if the head of the college specified in paragraph (2) below is the Vice-Chancellor, a person appointed by Council;

(ii) the head of the college to which the Chair may be allocated by Council from time to time; or if the head is unable or unwilling to act, a person appointed by the governing body of that college;

(iii) a person appointed by the governing body of the college specified in paragraph (2) above;

(iv) two persons appointed by Council;

(v) four persons appointed by the Medical Sciences Board;

(vi) a person holding a clinical appointment appointed by the relevant NHS body with which the post-holder will hold an honorary contract.

3 The professor shall be subject to the General Provisions of the regulations concerning the duties of professors and to those Particular Provisions of the same regulations, which are applicable to the Chair.’

Council of the University

Register of Congregation

The Vice-Chancellor reports that the following names have been added to the Register of Congregation:

- Brazel, D M G, Nuffield
- Crossley, J A A, Department of Materials
- Erb-Satullo, N L, St Hugh’s
- Findlay, J Y, Jesus
- Greenhill, C R, Graduate Admissions
- King, J A, St Catherine’s
- Leek, P J, Department of Physics
- Mandeville, P W, Student Welfare and Support Services
- Moore, O G M, Department of Physics
- Sellon, E A, Faculty of Clinical Medicine

Divisional and Faculty Boards

For changes in regulations for examinations see ‘Changes to Examination Regulations’ below.

Congregation

10 March

¶ No notice of opposition or amendment having been received, the Chair will accordingly declare the resolutions at (1) below carried at the meeting. As set out below, a meeting will be held at 2pm on 10 March in the Sheldonian Theatre on the resolution at (2) below.

(1) Voting on Resolutions approving the conferment of Honorary Degrees

For explanatory note and text of resolutions see Gazette No 5266, 13 February 2020, p248

(2) Resolution for Phasing-out of the Graduate Application Fee

Proposer: Benjamin Fernando, Worcester College

Seconded by: Michael Cassidy, Department of Earth Sciences

We, the undersigned, believe that the graduate application fee prevents Oxford from being a place where anyone, regardless of their background and economic status, can aspire to study.

Congregation notes:

— That few UK universities charge graduate application fees, and that Oxford’s PhD application fee, at £75, is the highest.

— That the graduate application fee has tripled since it was first introduced in 2008 and that these increases have not been justified with publicly available evidence or costing.

— That the income derived from the graduate application fee (approximately £2.2m per year) is not distributed directly to the departments to process applications since departmental income from the central university is not proportional to the number of applications received.

— That in conversations with the Graduate Recruitment office it has been made clear that the main purpose of the graduate application fee is to reduce application numbers and hence lessen the administrative burden of the application process.
That there is good evidence that the graduate application fee prevents excellent candidates from applying and that this loss of potential high-quality students is detrimental to the University’s research.

- That the graduate application fee undermines Oxford’s efforts to encourage diversity and access and instead acts as a barrier to improving diversity by discriminating against students from diverse and low income backgrounds.

- That we welcome the recent introduction of fee waivers for those taking part in the UNIQ+ Graduate Access scheme, but given that fewer than 0.3% of graduate applicants in any given year can take part, this cannot reach the large numbers of talented potential students who will still be discouraged by a fee.

- That the fee reinforces public perceptions that Oxford is elitist and inaccessible [Citation: Research Fortnight Magazine, Issue 542, 10 April 2019, p6].

- That previous attempts to remove the graduate application fee through the University’s committees have been denied.

- That this resolution is supported by over 1,100 people from across our community who have signed a petition to remove the graduate application fee. Not all of them can vote here but they have entrusted you to make the right decision on their behalf.

Congregation therefore resolves:

- To commit the University to the abolition of the graduate application fee in its entirety by the Academic Year 2024-25 and to prevent further fee increases in the meantime.

For the list of signatories to the resolution see Gazette No 5267, 20 February 2020, p266

Council’s response

Council considers the resolution to be unacceptable to it.

The motivation given for the proposal to abolish the graduate application fee is to promote widening access to graduate study at Oxford, an aspiration that is shared across the University. However, Council believes there are much better ways to promote graduate access, and is actively pursuing these. Recent steps include:

- The formation of a Graduate Access Working Group to lead our graduate access activities. Besides its leading role in the initiatives below, the group is collecting and analysing data on the socio-economic make-up of the applicant and student populations, developing appropriate contextual metrics to enhance admissions decisions and building a range of digital tools to support applicants.

- The introduction in 2018 of a fee waiver scheme for prospective students from low-income countries (as defined by the World Bank).

- The extension of fee waivers to UK applicants who received high levels of mean-tested financial support during their undergraduate degree, from next academic year.

- The launch in 2019 of the sector-leading UNIQ+ programme for students from under-represented groups (which includes a fee waiver for participants) as part of our wider graduate access offer. UNIQ+ ran with 30 students in 2019 and will expand to 60 students this year.

- Measures to increase the number of graduate scholarships we offer - in line with our Strategic Plan commitments. These include: committing £40m from the University’s endowment to a new matched fundraising scheme to create around 120 permanently endowed graduate scholarships; allocation of £3m from the College Contribution Scheme to graduate student funding, matched by £3m from the University; and Council will shortly consider a recommendation to increase the funding of the Clarendon Scholarships by £1m.

Fee waivers have been introduced in recognition that the application fee may be one of the barriers for some groups of applicants. However, the early work of the Graduate Access Working Group suggests that the most important barriers to increasing access to postgraduate study are the (often mistaken) perception that Oxford is out of reach, the availability of clear, accessible information and guidance, academic support through the application process, and scholarship funding. Addressing these factors is a key focus for the Graduate Admissions team.

In the meantime, the application fee and the effectiveness of fee waivers will be kept under review.

The proposers are correct that the application fee is not passed on to the admitting departments. Instead, the fee funds essential services in the Academic Administration Division which would otherwise have to be borne by departments via the University’s service charging model. The application fee income directly supports:

- the work of the Graduate Admissions and Recruitment office managing the growing number of applications, including recruitment activities, maintaining and supporting application processes, query handling, systems development, college places co-ordination, and developing access initiatives;

- co-ordination of scholarship processes by the Student Fees and Funding team;

- the work of the Visas and Immigration team for international applicants;

- and support for disabled applicants by the Disability Advisory Service.

The proposal, if passed, would require the University to forgo approximately £2.2m per annum of income, without identifying any alternative funding source to fill this gap. For comparison, this is the cost of fully funding about 60 graduate students each year. To avoid damaging cuts in provision, this cost would have to be borne by Departments and Faculties via the University’s service charging model. Ultimately it may lead to significant increases in course fees in order for the University to maintain the financial status quo. For example, a one-year MSc course with six applicants per place would need to increase the course fee by £450 to balance the loss of the £75 application fee, with all the additional fee income passed on to central services.

While the primary purpose of the fee is to cover essential costs, there is a risk that removal of the fee would lead to an
increase in the number of uncompetitive applications. This would be counter-productive to promoting access. In this context, the Graduate Access Working Group is working to deliver graduate access initiatives that are holistic, and offer the appropriate support through the entire pre-application and application process to maximise the chances of success.

The graduate application fee is consistent with the practice at other leading universities in the UK, most universities in the US and many other international universities.

The decision to introduce the application fee in 2007 was taken after wide consultation and discussion, and it has been reviewed regularly since. This has involved extensive consideration by properly constituted University committees, with representation from academic staff spanning all divisions.

Arrangements for the meeting

Attendance and timings

The meeting will be held at 2pm in the Sheldonian Theatre.

Attendance at the meeting is open to members of Congregation and to nominated representatives of the Oxford University Student Union (Oxford SU) as agreed in advance by the Vice-Chancellor. Admission to the Theatre will be on the production of a valid University card and will be on a first-come, first-served basis (places will be reserved for scheduled speakers). The doors of the Theatre will open at 1.45pm and will remain open throughout the meeting except when voting is taking place.

The Vice-Chancellor has decided that the wearing of gowns shall be optional on this occasion.

Order of proceedings

The Chair will first declare the resolutions at (1) above carried. The meeting will then progress to the resolution at (2), which will comprise a series of speeches followed by a vote. The procedure and order of business for this part of the meeting will be as follows:

The resolution will be moved and seconded.

The opposition to the resolution will be moved and seconded on behalf of Council.

Further speeches will be invited in support of or in opposition to the resolution as time permits (information for those wishing to speak is provided below).

The mover of the opposition to the resolution will be given the opportunity to respond to the debate.

The mover of the resolution will be given the opportunity to respond to the debate.

There will be a vote on the resolution (information about voting is provided below).

Advance notice by speakers

Members of Congregation who wish to speak are asked to indicate this intention by emailing congregation.meeting@admin.ox.ac.uk at the latest by noon on Monday 9 March. It would be helpful if members of Congregation intending to speak would explain in no more than 25 words whether they wish to speak in support of, or in opposition to, the resolution, and whether there are particular issues they intend to address, to assist with determining the order in which speakers are called. Speakers will be expected to limit their contributions to four minutes. Proposers and Seconders will be contacted separately. Owing to time constraints, it may not be possible to call all those who wish to speak. On the other hand, if time permits, those who have not indicated in advance may have an opportunity to speak.

Voting

The Vice-Chancellor and the Proctors have determined that voting during the meeting will take place by paper ballot. Voting papers will be handed out on arrival. When a vote is called, members of Congregation will be required to identify themselves on their voting slips by name and signature and by college/department or faculty and to deposit their own voting slips in ballot boxes at the doors of the house. Slips will be sorted and counted by the Proctors, and will subsequently be kept confidentially by the Proctors for six days, after which they will be destroyed.

Transcript

It is intended that a transcript of the meeting will be published in the Gazette of 19 March and on the Congregation website. As a result of time constraints, it will not be possible to check the report of the proceedings with individual speakers before publication. Speakers are asked to provide their written texts by email to congregation.meeting@admin.ox.ac.uk by 9am on Wednesday 11 March.

1The transcript may be edited for legal reasons.

Congregation

Admission of Proctors and Assessor

A Congregation will be held at noon on 18 March in the Sheldonian Theatre for the purpose of admitting to office Professor Simon Horobin, BA PhD Sheff, MA Oxf, Fellow of Magdalen, and Professor Freya Johnston, BA PhD Camb, MA Oxf, Fellow of St Anne’s, as Proctors for the ensuing year, and Dr Helen Swift, MA MSt DPhil Oxf, Fellow of St Hilda’s, as Assessor for the ensuing year.

Note on procedures in Congregation

¶ Business in Congregation is conducted in accordance with Congregation Regulations 2 of 2002 (https://governance.admin.ox.ac.uk/legislation/congregation-regulations-2-of-2002). A printout of these regulations, or of any statute or other regulations, is available from the Council Secretariat on request. A member of Congregation seeking advice on questions relating to its procedures, other than elections, should contact Mrs R Thomas at the University Offices, Wellington Square (telephone: (2)80317; email rebecca.thomas@admin.ox.ac.uk); questions relating to elections should be directed to the Elections Officer, Ms S L Mulvihill (telephone: (2)80463; email: elections.office@admin.ox.ac.uk).
Consultative Notices

Social Sciences Board and Education Committee

REVIEW OF THE SCHOOL OF ANTHROPOLOGY AND MUSEUM ETHNOGRAPHY

The Social Sciences Board and the Education Committee will jointly conduct a review of the School of Anthropology and Museum Ethnography as part of Council's programme of rolling reviews of faculties and departments. The review could not proceed on the original dates planned in Hilary term 2020 and instead will take place on 20 and 21 May.

The Review Committee would welcome written comments on matters falling within its terms of reference, given below. These should be sent to Catherine Paxton (catherine.paxton@socsci.ox.ac.uk) by 17 April.

The review committee's terms of reference are:

1. To review the quality of academic activities in the School, by reference to:
   - international standards of excellence
   - planning statements at departmental and divisional level, and in the context of the University’s mission statement and Strategic Plan.

In particular:

(a) the quality of the research of the School, including its participation in inter-departmental, inter-divisional and inter-disciplinary activities, its research profile and strategy, and future challenges and opportunities

(b) the quality of undergraduate and graduate programmes and their delivery and related issues, including:
   - access and admissions
   - curriculum design and programme structure
   - teaching, learning and assessment
   - the relationship between teaching and research

(c) the organisation of the School, its management structures and the relationship between the School and the division, including such matters as:
   - strategic planning (including relationship to the divisional five-year plans and the University’s Strategic Plan)
   - academic and non-academic staff planning and recruitment
   - student number planning
   - terms of appointment for academic staff, including career development and equal opportunities issues
   - accommodation and future space needs
   - fundraising.

(d) the relationship (structural and operational) between units within the School, and between the School and cognate subject areas and colleges to which it is linked in teaching and research.

2. To consider the current and long-term financial position of, and funding arrangements for, the School, and its financial strategy.

General Notices

Gazette publication arrangements

The final Gazettes of Hilary term will be published on 12, 19 and 26 March. The first Gazette of Trinity term will be published on 23 April, and will include the Trinity term lecture supplement.

Industrial action

The UCU has notified us that strike action will take place on 20, 21, 24, 25 and 26 February and on 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 March.

Those members of staff who participate in the strike will have their pay withheld at the rate of 1/365 of annual salary for each day of strike action and must complete a form notifying Payroll of the days of strike action and making a choice regarding maintaining pensionable service for days of strike action. The form can be downloaded from the Finance Division’s website at https://finance.web.ox.ac.uk/payroll-forms#collapse110926.

Forms should be returned to Payroll within a week of the last day of strike action taken.

van Houten Fund

The van Houten Bequest is a fund left by the late Georges van Houten in the 1960s to be used for the benefit of the University. Bids are now being invited for grants to support projects that can be shown to offer a broad strategic benefit to the University, but that do not form part of the normal day-to-day operations of a department and would not easily be funded from other regular sources.

Grants to applicants from within the University are usually in the region of £2,000–£12,000, either given as a one-off award or spread over two or three years.

Grants are also available to organisations external to the University; in such cases, the amount awarded is usually lower and there is a cap on the total amount of funding made available to external organisations in any given bidding round; the cap is currently £25,000. Certain such projects, which would more appropriately be supported from the University’s Community Grants Scheme (www.ox.ac.uk/local-community/small-community-grants), will be advised to apply to that fund.

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The most recent invitation to bid, in November 2018, attracted 11 applications. Grants awarded recently have included support for:
the Oxford Maths Festival, a free-to-access series of activities engaging the public (children and adults alike) to consider the subject in a new way
• the celebration of the 100 years since the award of the first DPhil in the UK
• the India-Oxford initiative, a new University activity to develop the University's profile and reputation in India.

The guidelines by which bids are assessed are as follows:

1 Bids for grants will be assessed according to the breadth of the benefit to the University offered by the project in question, the strategic importance of the project to the University and the availability of funds. Only in exceptional circumstances will a grant be awarded in respect of a project which benefits a single department.

2 Grants will not ordinarily be awarded for purposes for which other trust fund (or similar) support exists within the University, for example, the funding of academic scholarships, regardless of whether or not the alternative fund(s) in question are in a position to fund the expenditure proposed.

3 Grants will not ordinarily be awarded in respect of costs for which a department might reasonably be expected to hold a budget.

4 Grants will not ordinarily be agreed in respect of recurrent activities except to provide:
   (a) seed funding to support an activity in its first one to three years; or
   (b) bridging support for one year only where a source of funding is lost and the department/faculty in question is confident that an alternative can be found for the following year.

5 Grants will not ordinarily cover the full cost of a project. Departments will be expected to make some contribution, or to use the grant secured by the van Houten Fund to assist in securing other funding (including external funding).

6 The extent to which funds may be awarded to external organisations each financial year may be subject to an upper limit, to be set by the General Purposes Committee and reviewed on an annual basis.

The bids will be considered by the Registrar as a gathered field. Bids should be made on the application form which is available from the Secretary of the Fund or from the van Houten Fund web page: www.admin.ox.ac.uk/finance/trusts/applying/vanhoutenfund. Applications should be sent, preferably as a Word document attached to an email, to the Trusts Officer, Gemma Proctor, by 17 April.

For further information from the Trusts Officer, telephone 01865 670237, email: trusts.finance@admin.ox.ac.uk or contact the University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford, OX1 2JD. The next invitation to bid will be in Hilary term 2021.

Environmental Sustainability

The University's Environmental Sustainability Strategy Consultation takes place between 2 March and 14 April. The Consultation aims to stimulate debate across the University about ambitious action it could take in the short, medium and long term to reduce its environmental impact and reach net zero carbon emissions and net biodiversity gain. All staff and students are invited to respond: https://sustainability.admin.ox.ac.uk/consultation

Appointments

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences

APPOINTMENTS

James Kwan, PhD Columbia University; Associate Professor of Engineering Science (Chemical Engineering: Energy and/or Environment) in association with Balliol, from 1 June 2020 to 31 May 2025

REAPPOINTMENTS

Robin Evans, DPhil University of Washington; Associate Professor of Statistics in association with Jesus, from 1 September 2019 to retirement

Lectures

Humanities

OXFORD FORUM EVENT

Dr Anthony Fernandez, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Oxford, Assistant Professor, Kent State University, will deliver a lecture at 4pm on 6 March, at the Stanford University Centre in Oxford. For more information, contact: Dr Roxana Baisau, roxana.baisau@philosophy.ox.ac.uk.

Subject: ‘What is “Depressed Mood”?’

Institutes, Centres and Museums

Oxford Said Entrepreneurship Forum

Various speakers will present six sessions throughout the day on 7 March. The sessions will explore: space, refugee entrepreneurship, immortality, care for the Earth, gaming industry, and unconventional investing. Registration required: https://web.event.com/event/3a8a4bb5-aa3f-4fcd-9d98-63a49e7fa42d/summary

Subject: ‘Space and beyond’

International Women’s Day

Dr Alex Mahon, CEO of Channel 4, will give a talk at 5.45pm on 9 March, followed by Q&A. Registration required: https://oxfordsaid-iwd20-alexmahon.eventbrite.com/?aff=Gazette

Subject: ‘Leading a media company in an era of disruption’

Oxford Africa Forum Event

Various speakers, including Akon (singer, songwriter, record producer and entrepreneur), Mohammed Dewji (President MeTL Group) and Bogolo Kenewendo (Former Minister for Investment, Trade and Industry, Botswana), will present during a full-day conference on 14 March. Registration required: www.oxfordafricaforum.com

Subject: ‘The youth of Africa: accessing the opportunity, navigating the challenge’
Examinations and Boards

**Colleges, Halls and Societies**

**All Souls**

*Corrigendum.*

Please note new dates for the following sessions, held on Wednesday at 2pm in All Souls. All welcome. Convenor: Neil Kenny, neil.kenny@all-souls.ox.ac.uk.

**26 Feb 28 Feb:**
- **Diana Berruezo-Sánchez:** 'Learning social hierarchy in early modern Spanish ethnic villancicos'
- **Emma Spary** (Cambridge): ‘Quinquina in favour at the court of Louis XIV’

**11 Mar 18 Mar:**
- **David Lines** (Warwick): ‘Renaissance Aristotelianism and the problem of publics between Latin and vernacular’
- **Dorine Rouiller** (Swiss National Science Foundation): ‘Erasmus, citizen of the—or of a—world?’

**Jesus**

**FOWLER LECTURE 2020**

Professor Michéle Lowrie, University of Chicago, will give the 20th Fowler Lecture at 5pm on 7 May in the Stelios Ioannou Classics Centre.

*Subject:* ‘Ancient customs and men’

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**Examinations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy**

*This content has been removed as it contains personal information protected under the Data Protection Act.*
Changes to Examination Regulations

For the complete text of each regulation listed below and a listing of all changes to regulations for this year to date, please see https://gazette.web.ox.ac.uk/examination-regulations-0.

Social Sciences

RESEARCH DEGREES IN EDUCATION
Correction to previous Gazette notice in 16 Jan 2020
amendment to citation regarding research questions

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMAS IN EDUCATION
removal of ‘PGDip in Teacher Education’ and ‘PGDip in Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching’ from the regulations

PRELIM EXAMINATION IN HUMAN SCIENCES
correction to re-sit arrangements

MSC BY COURSEWORK IN APPLIED LINGUISTICS FOR LANGUAGE TEACHING (PART-TIME)
amendment to matriculation data

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN APPLIED LINGUISTICS FOR LANGUAGE TEACHING (PART-TIME)

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TEACHER EDUCATION (PART-TIME)
discontinuation of regulations

PRELIM EXAMINATION IN PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS AND ECONOMICS
correction to re-sit arrangements

Contested election

The nomination period for these elections closed at 4pm on Thursday 6 February. The following election will be contested and the result determined by postal ballot of the eligible electorate.

Other Committees and University Bodies

POOL FOR CONSTITUTING PANELS CONVENED UNDER STATUTE XII PARTS B, D AND H (NON-DIVISIONAL)

- One of eight members of Congregation to whom Statute XII applies, not necessarily representing any division and not in any case being nominated in a divisional capacity, elected by members of Congregation, to hold office with immediate effect until MT 2021 [vice Professor William Mander, Harris Manchester, Philosophy]

The following nominations have been received:

Linda Pope, BSc MSc Port, Bodleian Libraries

Nominated by:
T P Boyt, Parks
J Duxfield, Somerville, Personnel Services
R Ovenden, Balliol, Faculty of History

Candidate statement:

I stand for election to serve in the Pool for constituting panels convened under Statute XII Parts B, D and H.

I have over 30 years’ experience in Human Resources, having worked in the public and private sectors, and latterly as HR Director for Aston University and then the Royal Agricultural University. I joined Oxford University in 2018 and currently lead the HR Shared Service for the Bodleian Libraries and Ashmolean Museum.

I have been a member of the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development for over 20 years and my MSc is in Human Resource Management (1996).
Advertisements

Having been involved in many such panels such as those convened under Statute XII, both advising the panel and presenting the case, and having also managed cases going before Employment Tribunal, I feel that my experience will make me a useful panel member. I can bring a perspective grounded in the University and academia, but also from other sectors such as policing, Local Government, Further Education and a private/public joint venture.

Approaching my second anniversary at the Bodleian Libraries, I am now keen to have involvement in and contribute to the wider University.

Sally Vine, MA Oxf, Department of Physiology, Anatomy, and Genetics

Nominated by:
- H C Christian, St Anne's, Faculty of Physiological Sciences
- D J Paterson, Merton, Faculty of Physiological Sciences
- C D Price, Medical Sciences Divisional Office
- J C Taylor, St Edmund Hall, Faculty of Clinical Medicine

No candidate statement received

Notes:
For further information, please contact the Elections Officer (shirley.mulvihill@admin.ox.ac.uk).

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