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

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer’s Action on 24/06/2021

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation
Master of Science by Coursework in Social Science of the Internet (Part-time)

Brief note about nature of change: minor amendment to assessment deadline; amendment to permit option choices from other departments.

Location of change
In Examination Regulations 2019-20
https://examregs.admin.ox.ac.uk/Regulation?code=mosbcissoti-p-time&srchYear=2020&srchTerm=1&year=2019&term=1

Effective date
For part time MSc students who commenced the programme in MT20, for first examination from 2021-22.

Detail of change
Amend citation references 1.7, 1.8 and 1.13 as follows:

1.7 Part 9: One option paper, to be chosen from a list to be published on the Oxford Internet Institute website annually by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term or another paper agreed by the Director of Graduate Studies. Not all options may be available every year. The option papers will be assessed by arrangements which are specified in the reading lists for each paper, details of and arrangements for submission of which shall be notified to candidates by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term.

1.8 In addition, students will be required to write a 2,000 word thesis proposal during Trinity Term and the long vacation, to be submitted by noon on Friday of Week 4 of Michaelmas Term Monday of week 1 of their second year. Students will give a formal presentation of their thesis proposal and will receive written formative feedback from a member of faculty other than their supervisor.
1.9 (ii) **Second year:**

1.10 **Part 2:** Compulsory core paper in ‘Digital Social Research Methods: Statistics Core’ assessed by examinations.

1.11 **Parts 5-6:** Two further methods option modules, to be chosen from a list to be published on the Oxford Internet Institute annually by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term. Students will normally select one module from the first four-week period and one module from the second four-week period of the list. Not all methods options may be available every year. The methods option papers will be assessed by arrangements which are specified in the reading lists for each module, details and arrangements for submission of which shall be notified to candidates by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term.

1.12 **Part 8:** Compulsory core paper in ‘Internet Technologies and Regulation’, assessed by examination.

1.13 **Part 10:** One further option paper, to be chosen from a list to be published on the Oxford Internet Institute website annually by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term or another paper agreed by the Director of Graduate Studies. Not all options may be available every year. The option papers will be assessed by arrangements which are specified in the reading lists for each paper, details of and arrangements for submission of which shall be notified to candidates by the first Monday of Michaelmas Term.

**Explanatory Notes**

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