

Changes to Examination Regulations 2018

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Medical Sciences Divisional Board

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Honour School of Medical Sciences

Brief note about nature of change: A number of minor typographical changes to improve clarity and consistency, a minor change to the title of one Assessment Unit, and a change to allow candidates to submit research projects online.

Location of change

<http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/hsofmediscie/administratorview/>

Effective date

For students starting FHS from TT 2018.

And

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.15 as follows:

‘1. The options of the school shall be published by the Faculty of Physiological Sciences Undergraduate Studies Office not later than noon on Friday of Week 6 of Hilary Term in the year preceding that in which the examination is due to be taken. The impact of the change on candidates will be given due consideration by the Faculty of Physiological Sciences FHS / FHS Part II Course and Examination Policy Committee.’

2. Amend citation reference 1.16 as follows:

Remove the extraneous space at the beginning of the paragraph.

3. Amend citation reference 1.29 as follows:

'(ii) either submit an ~~Extended~~ Essay; or offer a fourth written paper based on courses provided within Parts I and II of the Honour School of Experimental Psychology. The subjects of the papers to be available for this purpose shall be published no later than the end of Week 5 of Hilary Term in the academic year preceding that in which the examination is taken.'

4. Amend citation reference 1.31 as follows:

'4. Research pProject'

5. Amend citation reference 1.34 as follows:

'Each project shall be supervised, and the topic and supervisor shall be approved on behalf of the Medical Sciences Board by the Director of Pre-Clinical Studies or his or her deputy.'

6. Amend citation reference 1.36 as follows:

~~'When choosing a research project, candidates must bear in mind the prohibition on duplicating material in different parts of the examination (see para 3).'~~

7. Amend citation reference 1.42 as follows:

'(iv) ~~Submission and assessment of project-based written work~~ the Project Report.'

8. Amend citation reference 1.43 as follows:

Project Reports must be submitted via Weblearn (according to the instructions set out in the letter to candidates from the Chair of Examiners), not later than noon on the Friday of Week 8 of the Hilary Term in the academic year in which the candidate intends to take the examination. Each Report shall be accompanied by a certificate of authorship indicating that the Research Project is the candidate's own work(three copies) ~~must be sent to the Chair of Examiners in Medical Sciences, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, not later than noon on the Friday of Week 8 in Hilary Term in the academic year in which the candidate intends to take the examination. The copies shall be accompanied (in a separate sealed envelope) by a certificate signed by each candidate indicating that the research project is the candidate's own work. Where work has been produced in collaboration, the certificate shall indicate the extent of the candidate's own contribution.~~

9. Amend citation reference 1.46 as follows:

~~'When submitting a Project Report, candidates must bear in mind the prohibition on duplicating material in different parts of the examination (see para 3).'~~

10. Amend citation reference 1.48 as follows:

'5. The ~~Extended~~Submitted Essay'

11. Amend citation reference 1.50 as follows:

'The length and format of the Submitted~~Extended~~ Essay shall be according to guidelines that will be published by the Medical Sciences Board.'

12. Amend citation reference 1.51 as follows:

'The subject matter of a candidate's essay shall be within the scope of the school. The essay may relate to any of the themes taught in the options of the school, regardless of the candidate's chosen option for Paper 1. ~~However, when choosing an Extended Essay topic, candidates must bear in mind the prohibition on duplicating material in different parts of the examination (see para 3).~~

13. Amend citation reference 1.54 as follows:

Delete the extraneous space at the end of the first sentence.

14. Amend citation reference 1.58 as follows:

'The essay must be the candidate's own work. Candidates' tutors, or their deputies nominated to act as advisors, may discuss with candidates the proposed field of study, the sources available, and the method of treatment, but on no account may they read or comment on any written draft. Every candidate shall submit~~sign~~ a certificate to the effect that this rule has been observed and that the essay is their own work; and the candidate's tutor or adviser ~~shall~~may be asked to countersign the certificate confirming that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, this is so.'

15. Amend citation reference 1.63 as follows:

'7. Candidates may be examined *viva voce*, the topics may include the subject of any written paper taken by the candidate, or the research project or ~~Extended~~Submitted Essay.'

Explanatory Notes

There are a small number of minor typographical changes. The 'Extended Essay' has been changed to 'Submitted Essay' as it is a relatively short piece of submitted work. There is a change to allow candidates to submit research projects online.