Medical Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Ros Whiteley on 27.07.20

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation [if general]
Master of Science by Coursework in Global Health Science and Epidemiology

Brief note about nature of change: minor alteration to assessment terminology, and dissertation submission method.

Location of change
https://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2019-20/mosbcighscieandepid/studentview/

Effective date
For students starting from MT 2020
[And]
For first examination from 2020-21

Detail of change
4. Candidates shall be examined in all of the following ways:

(i) A report of not more than 2500 words on an analysis of a dataset based on a research question approved by the Examination Board and based on material studied in the Principles of Statistics and Principles of Epidemiology modules. Additionally, candidates must submit an annotated copy of all statistical code used for the data analysis.

(ii) An assignment of not more than 4000 words selected from a choice of topics approved by the Examination Board and based on the modules studied as set out in the Schedule.

(iii) An written examination paper relating to the Principles of Epidemiology, and the
(iv) An examination paper, relating to Advanced Global Health Science, relating to the remaining modules set out in the Schedule, with the exception of Principles of Epidemiology, and Principles of Statistics modules.

(v) A dissertation of not more than 10,000 words on a research project as set out in the Schedule below. The research project and the subject of the dissertation must have been approved by the Organising Committee of the course.

5. Candidates may be examined viva voce and this examination will take place on dates to be determined by the examiners.

6. The arrangements for submission of the dissertation will be notified to candidates at the start of the Michaelmas Term of the academic year in which the examination is taken.

7. The written submissions for assessment (i) and (ii) must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the appropriate section of the course WebLearn site by the dates to be specified by the Organising Committee of the course, not later than the start of Michaelmas term of the academic year in which the examination is taken. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration of authorship by the candidate.

8. Three copies of the Dissertation must be sent to the Chair of Examiners, MSc in Global Health Science and Epidemiology, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by the date to be specified by the Organising Committee of the course and published in the University Gazette not later than the start of Michaelmas Term of the academic year in which the examination is taken. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration of authorship by the candidate. An electronic copy of the Dissertation must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the appropriate section of the course WebLearn site by the dates to be specified by the Organising Committee of the course, not later than the start of Michaelmas term of the academic year in which the examination is taken. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration of authorship by the candidate.

**Explanatory Notes**

The course team have omitted the word ‘written’ from both examinations to allow for flexibility of examination format that may be required in 2020/21. In addition, the method of dissertation submission has been amended to reflect likely changes to assessment submission in 2020/21 due to covid-19 related restrictions.