Master of Science by Coursework in Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to merge two of the three Research Methods courses into a single course ‘Qualitative Research Methods in Humanities’

Location of change
In Examination Regulations 2019, https://examregs.admin.ox.ac.uk/Regulation?code=mosbcimodesoutasiastud&srchYear=2020&srchTerm=1&year=2019&term=1

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

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.4 – 1.8 as follows:

1.4 Research Methods

Candidiates will complete one of the following three courses in Research Methods:

1.6 (i) Research Methods for Area Studies: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum take-home test in qualitative methods to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a take-home test in quantitative analysis to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term.

1.7 (ii) Qualitative Research Methods in Humanities and Historical Methods: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum take-home test in qualitative methods to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a 2,500 word essay on Historical Methods or Literature and Language to be set by Monday of Week 4 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of
Week 9 of Hilary Term.

1.8(iii) Qualitative Methods, Literature and Language: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum take-home test in qualitative methods to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a 2,500 word essay on Literature and Language to be set by Monday of Week 4 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term.

Explanatory Notes

Two of the existing three Research Methods courses (‘Qualitative and Historical Methods’ and ‘Qualitative Methods: Literature and Language’) will be merged into a single course entitled ‘Qualitative Research Methods in Humanities’. The two courses have been informally connected since the programme’s inception in 2017-18 and they are co-taught and co-examined. The change is intended to formalise current arrangements and to provide clarity to students. There will be no changes to the content, teaching or examination of students.