Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair’s action

Research Degrees in the Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Division
Doctoral Training Programmes in MPLS

Brief note about nature of change: Update to CDT provisions

Effective date
With effect from MT19

Location of change
In Examination Regulations 2018/19
https://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/dtproginmpls/

Detail of change
Under 1. (a) Programmes covered by these regulations
citation 1.3

Please delete:
(i) Centres for Doctoral Training in: Autonomous Intelligent Machines and Systems; Biomedical Imaging; Cyber Security; Healthcare Innovation; Industrially Focused Mathematical Modelling; Oil and Gas; Partial Differential Equations: Analysis and Applications; Renewable Energy Marine Structures; Science and Technology of Fusion Energy; Statistical Science; Systems Approaches to Biomedical Science; Synthesis for Biology and Medicine; and Synthetic Biology;

And replace with
(i) Centres for Doctoral Training in: Autonomous Intelligent Machines and Systems; Biomedical Imaging; Cyber Security; Future Propulsion and Power; Health Data Science; Healthcare Innovation; Industrially Focused Mathematical Modelling; Inorganic Chemistry for Future Manufacturing; Mathematics of Random Systems: Analysis, Models and Algorithms; Modern Statistics and Statistical Machine Learning; Oil and Gas; Partial Differential Equations: Analysis and Applications; Renewable Energy Marine Structures; Science and Technology of Fusion Energy; Statistical Science; Systems Approaches to Biomedical Science; Sustainable
Approaches to Biomedical Science; Synthesis for Biology and Medicine; Synthetic Biology; and Wind and Marine Energy Systems and Structures.

Under 1 (b) citation 1.12

Please delete:

(i) Centre for Doctoral Training in Gas Turbine Aerodynamics: students shall be registered for the first year of this programme at the University of Cambridge,

And replace with: (i) Centre for Doctoral Training in Gas Turbine Aerodynamics and Future Propulsion and Power: students shall be registered for the first year of this programme at the University of Cambridge,

Under 2. Probationer Research Student Status,

citation 1.19

Please delete:

(a) Students admitted to the doctoral programmes listed in (1) (a) shall hold the status of Probationer Research Student for a maximum of six terms.

And replace with:

(a) Students admitted to the doctoral programmes listed in (1) (a), with the exception of Mathematics of Random Systems: Analysis, Models and Algorithms, shall hold the status of Probationer Research Student for a maximum of six terms. Students admitted to Mathematics of Random Systems: Analysis, Models and Algorithms shall hold the status of Probationer Research Student for a maximum of four terms.

Citation 1.22

Please delete:

(d) A Probationer Research Student registered on the Centre for Doctoral Training in Renewable Energy Marine Structures programme may choose to apply for admission to either the degree of Doctor of Engineering or the degree of Doctoral of Philosophy. A Student must choose which degree to apply for no later than the end of the third full-term. The Regulations below apply to students seeking to apply for and supplicate for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. For students seeking to apply for the degree of Doctor of Engineering, the Regulations for the Doctor of Engineering shall apply.

And replace with:

(d) A Probationer Research Student registered on the Centre for Doctoral Training in Renewable Energy Marine Structures or Wind and Marine Energy Systems and Structures programmes may choose to apply for admission to either the degree of Doctor of Engineering or the degree of Doctoral of Philosophy. A Student must choose which degree to apply for no later than the end of the third full-term. The Regulations below apply to students seeking to apply for and supplicate for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. For students seeking to apply for the degree of Doctor of Engineering, the Regulations for the Doctor of Engineering shall apply.

Under 3. Confirmation of Status as a Student for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy,
Please delete:

A candidate on a doctoral training programme listed in (1) (a) who has been admitted to the status of Student for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy must apply to the board for confirmation of his or her status as a D.Phil. Student no later than the eighth week of the tenth term after admission as a research student; and not normally earlier than the ninth term after that in which he or she was initially admitted to the status of a Probationer Research Student or to the status of a student for another higher degree of the University.

And replace with:

A candidate on a doctoral training programme listed in (1) (a) with the exception of Mathematics of Random Systems: Analysis, Models and Algorithms, who has been admitted to the status of Student for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy must apply to the board for confirmation of his or her status as a D.Phil. Student no later than the eighth week of the tenth term after admission as a research student; and not normally earlier than the ninth term after that in which he or she was initially admitted to the status of a Probationer Research Student or to the status of a student for another higher degree of the University. For students registered on the Mathematics of Random Systems: Analysis, Models and Algorithms programme the General Regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy shall apply.

Citation 1.29

Please delete:

A Student for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy on a doctoral training programme listed in (1) (a) shall cease to hold such status unless it has been confirmed within ten terms of his or her admission to Probationer Research Student status.

And replace with:

A Student for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy on a doctoral training programme listed in (1) (a) shall cease to hold such status unless it has been confirmed within ten terms of his or her admission to Probationer Research Student status, or nine terms for students registered on the Mathematics of Random Systems: Analysis, Models and Algorithms programme.

Explanatory Notes Following the successful outcomes of the EPSRC CDT bids process, we now have 4 new CDTs, and 3 renewed but re-named CDTs that need adding to the current MPLS Doctoral Training Programmes regulations.