

Education Committee

Revision of regulation for re-sitting the First Public Examination

With effect from 1 October 2012

In *Examination Regulations* 2011

Page 63, lines 1-12, replace existing clause 3.15 and insert text below:

'3.15. (1) A candidate who fails to satisfy the examiners in his or her initial examination for the First Public Examination shall be permitted to re-enter for the examination on one further occasion in accordance with the special regulations governing re-sits in the programme concerned.

(2) A further exceptional opportunity to re-sit the examination at the next opportunity shall require application to and approval on behalf of the Education Committee.

(3) A candidate who passes the First Public Examination whether at the first attempt or after re-sitting the examination shall be deemed to have reached the University's threshold standard for embarking on the Final Honour School.'

Explanatory Note:

Following extensive consultation with colleges, divisions, faculties and departments, and OUSU, the change agreed by the Education Committee clarifies the University's expectations in relation to sitting and re-sitting the First Public Examination. It is paralleled by an addition to the Education Committee Policy and Guidance on Undergraduate Learning and Teaching to be found at: <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/edc/qa/policies/>