Research Degrees Panel of Education Committee

Approved at the meeting of Research Degrees Panel on 11 June 2021

General Regulations Governing Research Degrees

**Brief note about nature of change:** Addition to regulations to clarify that no changes to a research degree thesis can be made once leave to supplicate has been granted.

**Location of change**

In *Examination Regulations 2020*,
https://examregs.admin.ox.ac.uk/Regulation?code=grovovereedsedgr

**Effective date**

For all students from Michaelmas term 2021 onwards

**Detail of change**

Amend section §7, 2 (cit. ref. 1.114-1.115) as indicated, new text underlined.

(v) *Library copies: binding and presentation*

Once the board has granted a candidate leave to supplicate, they must submit a finalised copy of the thesis, as approved by the examiners, to the Examination Schools for deposit in the relevant university library. The candidate must also submit an electronic copy of this finalised thesis to the Oxford Research Archive. These should incorporate any corrections or amendments which the examiners may have requested of the candidate. The examiners must confirm in writing in their report to the board that any corrections required have been made. **No corrections, changes or additions of any kind shall be made to the thesis after the board has granted a candidate leave to supplicate.**

**Explanatory Notes**

At its meeting in Trinity term 2021, Research Degrees Panel agreed that regulations should be revised so that it is clear that no changes to a research degree thesis can be made once leave to supplicate has been granted.