Changes in Examination Regulations to the University Gazette – Social Sciences Division

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Social Sciences Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of QAC on 30/06/2022

Title of Programme

Master of Science by Coursework in Applied Linguistics and Second Language Acquisition

Brief note about nature of change: Movement of coursework submission deadlines in line with guidance provided in the EAF; general administrative changes.

Effective date

For all MSc students from Michaelmas term 2022, for first examination in 2022-23.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations (2021/22):

https://examregs.admin.ox.ac.uk/Regulation?code=mosbcialasecolangacqu&srchYear=202 1&srchTerm=1&year=2021&term=1

Details of Change:

Strike existing text and re-number:

- 1.1. Candidates may normally only be admitted to the course if they have successfully obtained an honours degree in a discipline related to applied linguistics.
- 1.2. The course shall consist of six taught modules and a dissertation.
- ^{1.3}3. A copy of each of the three Michaelmas Term assignments must be submitted using the University approved online assessment platform no later than noon on the Friday of Week 0 Hilary Term, and a copy of each of the three Hilary Term assignments must be submitted using the University approved online assessment platform no later than noon on the Friday

of Week 0 of Trinity Term.

- **44. Candidates will also be required to submit a dissertation of between 15,000 and 20,000 words (including footnotes/endnotes but excluding appendices and references or bibliography) on a subject selected by the candidate in consultation with the supervisor, which must be closely related to one or more of the themes of the course. The subject and title selected by the candidate must be approved by the Course Director at a time to be announced at the beginning of the academic year in which the examination is taken.
- 4.5 5. A copy of the dissertation must be submitted using the University approved online assessment platform by noon on the second Friday of August of the year in which the final Module examination has been taken. This copy should be anonymous except for the candidate number. The dissertation must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Candidates are also required to submit a final, non-anonymised copy of their dissertation to the Oxford University Research Archive (ORA) at the same time that they submit the anonymised version for examination.
- ^{1.6}6. If a candidate receives a failing mark for any of the summative assessments, they may resubmit the assessment on one further occasion, either by a date for resubmission which will be published by the Course Director when the results are released, and will be no sooner than 6 weeks from the release of the results, or when the assessment is next examined the following year. If a candidate fails the dissertation, they may resubmit the dissertation one further time on the next occasion when this is examined. Candidates who fail any modules or the dissertation at the first attempt cannot normally be awarded more than 50 at resubmission.
- ^{1.7}7. The candidate may also be examined orally. The oral examination will normally be on the candidate's dissertation.
 - 1. The Course shall be under the supervision of the Academic Committee of the Department of Education.
 - 2. Candidates must follow a course of instruction for three terms, full-time.
 - 3. Candidates will take six one-term core modules. Each core module will be assessed through a take-home summative assessment, consisting of an essay of up to 2,500 words.
 - 4. Candidates are also required to submit a dissertation of between 15,000 and 20,000 words by no later than noon on the second Thursday in August.
 - 5. All assessments must be submitted using the University's online submission system. Technical information on the requirements for online submissions is provided in the Course Handbook.
 - 6. If a candidate receives a failing mark for any of the summative assessments, they may re-sit the assessment on one further occasion. The submission date of the re-sit will be the next time the module is assessed in the following year, or by a date published by the Course Director, which will be no sooner than 6 weeks from the

release of the results. If a candidate fails the dissertation, they may resubmit it on the next occasion when dissertations are examined. Grades for re-sits of summative assessments and re-submissions of dissertations are capped at 50.

Explanatory Notes

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