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

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of the Quality Assurance Committee on 3 July 2023

Title of Programme

Master of Science by Coursework in Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching (Part-time)

Brief note about nature of change:

Increasing resit deadline flexibility.

Effective date

For students starting from Michaelmas 2023

For first examination from 2023/24

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2022-23, Master of Science by Coursework in Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching (Part-time) (ox.ac.uk)

Details of Change:

Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

[1.8] 8. 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 in the corresponding term of the following year when assessments take place. If a candidate fails the dissertation, they may resubmit the dissertation one further time on the next occasion when this is examined, or at an earlier date as agreed with the Course Director. Candidates who fail any modules or the dissertation at the first attempt cannot normally be awarded more than 50 at resubmission.

Explanatory Notes

The change is to introduce the option of an earlier submission for the dissertation to allow students flexibility. Students are currently required to resubmit their work on the next occasion when it is examined, which leads to a lengthy wait for those students who can complete their resubmission early. The addition of the words "or at an earlier date as agreed with the Course Director" provides that degree of flexibility for the students, but also ensures that the Course Director will be able to review the request and prevent early resubmission if it is deemed inappropriate.