

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

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Social Sciences Board

Approved by officer's action on 10/06/2022

Title of Programme

Master of Science by Coursework in Russian and East European Studies

Brief note about nature of change: changes to reflect current assessment practice.

Effective date

For all MSc students from Michaelmas term 2022.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* (2021-22):

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

Details of Change:

Amend citations 1.1 and 1.4-1.6 and re-number as follows:

Master of Science by Coursework in Russian and East European Studies

The regulations made by the Russian and East European Studies Management Committee are as follows:

^{1.1}Candidates will be required to follow a course of instruction in Russian and East European Studies for three terms and to sit written examinations on two compulsory papers, to be

taken in ~~eight week of~~ Trinity Full Term:

^{1.2}1. An examination paper on Contemporary Russian and East European Studies Part 1.

^{1.3}2. An examination paper on Contemporary Russian and East European Studies Part 2.

^{1.4}Candidates will also be required to submit one extended essay on History of Russia, the USSR and Eastern Europe in the Twentieth Century of 5,000 words, excluding bibliography. ~~Two copies of the~~ The extended essay should be uploaded to the University approved online assessment platform by 12 Noon Monday in the first week of Hilary Term. ~~The essay must be accompanied by a statement that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.~~

^{1.5}Research Methods for Area Studies: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum take-home test in qualitative methods to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a take-home test in quantitative analysis to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of week 9 of Hilary Term. Each of the items of written work described above must be uploaded to the University approved online assessment platform. ~~Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work.~~

Candidates will be required to submit a thesis of at least 12,000 words but not more than 15,000 words on a subject approved by the Management Committee for Russian and East European Studies, to be uploaded to the University approved online assessment platform, by 12 Noon on Monday in the sixth week of Trinity Term. ~~The thesis must be accompanied by a statement that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.~~

^{1.6}Candidates who fail the research methods course overall will be permitted to re-submit a new submission for the failed piece(s) of work within four weeks of publication of the failed mark, on a date specified by the Chair of Examiners.

Candidates who fail the extended essay will be required to re-submit by 12 noon on Monday of week one of Trinity term of the same year. Candidates who fail one or more of the examination papers will be permitted to retake it on one subsequent occasion the following year

~~In the case of a failed thesis, a candidate may submit again, on one subsequent occasion, usually in Trinity Term, provided that this is still within the six terms of his or her registration.~~

Explanatory Notes

Changes to reflect current assessment practice.