

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 30 June 2023

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy (Part-time)

Brief note about nature of change:

Simplification of regulations.

Effective date

For students starting from Michaelmas term 2023

For first examination from 2023/24

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2022-23, Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy (Part-time)* ([ox.ac.uk](https://www.ox.ac.uk))

Details of Change:

Amend citations and re-number as follows:

General Regulations

1.11. The **Executive Diploma Course** Committee of the Saïd Business School shall have the power to grant Postgraduate Diplomas in Financial Strategy to candidates who have satisfied the conditions prescribed in this section and any further conditions which the Committee may prescribe by regulation.

1.22. The ~~examination for the Postgraduate Diploma course~~ shall be under the supervision of the **Executive Diploma Course** Committee of the Saïd Business School which shall have power, subject to the approval of the Social Sciences Divisional Board, to make regulations governing the examination.

1.33. Candidates may be admitted as students for the Postgraduate Diploma under such conditions as the Committee shall prescribe, provided that before admission candidates shall have satisfied the Committee that they have appropriate educational experience

acceptable to the Committee, have relevant professional experience, and are well equipped to enter the proposed course of study.

^{1.4} Any person who has been accepted as a candidate for the Postgraduate Diploma, and who has satisfactorily pursued the course prescribed by the Committee, may be admitted to the examination.

^{1.5} If, for good cause, a student is temporarily unable to carry out their studies, they **may apply for a suspension**. ~~Programme Director may grant a temporary suspension of status, normally for not less than twelve months at any one time. Applications for suspension of status should be made to the Programme Director, c/o the relevant Graduate Studies Assistant; and will require additional approval from the Director of Graduate Studies. No student may be granted more than twelve months' suspension of status in this way by the Programme Director.~~

Special Regulations

^{1.6} Candidates must follow a **twelve-month, part-time** course of **instruction study** in Financial Strategy ~~for at least twelve months and not more than twenty four months. Candidates must complete:~~

[new citation] 2. Candidates must complete the following four courses:

~~^{1.7} (a) Four courses, and satisfy the examiners in the assessment associated with each course. The four courses are:~~

~~^{1.8} (i) Strategy;~~

~~^{1.9} (ii) Business Finance;~~

~~^{1.10} (iii) Corporate Valuation;~~

~~^{1.11} (iv) Financial Strategies for Growth.~~

~~^{1.12} Details can be found in the course handbook.~~

~~^{1.13} (b) Courses (i) and (iii) will each be assessed by a coursework submission. Course (ii) will be assessed by a written examination. Course (iv) will be assessed by a final integrative written assignment of 6,000 words. Assignments must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme learning platform, not later than 12 noon on the stipulated submission date, which will be published by the Programme Director by the first module of the programme.~~

[new citation] 3. Courses (i) and (iii) will each be assessed by a coursework submission. Course (ii) will be assessed by a written examination. Course (iv) will be assessed by a final integrative coursework submission of 6,000 words.

[new citation] 4. All coursework submissions must be submitted using the University-approved online submission system. Details are available on the programme learning platform.

^{1.14}25. Candidates may be requested to attend an oral examination on any of the assessments examined viva voce on one or more of the written assignments or examinations.

^{1.15}36. Candidates who fail an assessment must retake or resubmit the failed assessment no more than twelve months after the final meeting of the Board of Examiners, to satisfy the Examiners in the assessment of any of the components may retake or resubmit the failed assessment once, no more than twelve months after the final meeting of the Board of Examiners, excluding any period of suspension.

^{1.16}47. With the approval of the Programme Director, a candidate may substitute any of courses (i) to (iii) on the Postgraduate Diploma with core courses from the part-time MBA, the Postgraduate Diploma in AI for Business, the Postgraduate Diploma in Global Business, the Postgraduate Diploma in Organisational Leadership, the Postgraduate Diploma in Strategy and Innovation, or M.Sc. in Major Programme Management, assuming that core course falls within the permitted registration period for the original Postgraduate Diploma.

Explanatory Notes