SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC by Chair's Action on 24/08/17

Title of Programme

MSc Biodiversity, Conservation, and Management

Brief note about nature of change: change to require online submission

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mosbcib-consandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
- '(ii) two assessed essays based on elective courses. These must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site by the times and dates specified at the start of the course. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work;'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:
- '6. The dissertation must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than deadline for submission is noon on the first weekday of September in the year in which the written examination is taken. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Two copies of the dissertation must be submitted, to the M.Sc examiners (Biodiversity, Conservation, and Management), c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford OX1 4BG. The examiners may retain one copy of the dissertation of each candidate who passes the examination for deposit in an

appropriate library. Both copies must bear the candidate's examination number but not his/her name.'

- 3. Delete citation reference 1.10 as follows:
- '7. All submitted work shall be accompanied by a separate statement certifying that the submitted work is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.11 as follows:
 - '87. In the written examination, the examiners will permit the use of hand-held pocket calculators subject to the conditions set out under the heading 'Use of calculators in examinations' in the *Regulations for the Conduct of University Examinations*.'
- 5. Amend citation reference 1.12 as follows:
 - '98. The examiners may also examine any candidate viva voce on the candidate's written papers, dissertation, or both.'
- 6. Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:
 - '409. Arrangements for reassessment shall be specified by the Standing Committee and published in the course handbook.'
- 7. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows:
 - '140. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to require online submission of work.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on 15/09/17

Title of Programme

MSc Cognitive and Evolutionary Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: minor change to language

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcicandevolanth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:

'6. Candidates will be required to submit a dissertation of no more than 15,000 words in length, on a topic agreed with their supervisors. The proposed title of the dissertation, together with a paragraph describing its scope and the supervisor's written endorsement, must be submitted to the Chair of Examiners by Tuesday of the fifth week of Trinity Term. The dissertation must be submitted via WebLearn not later than noon on the last Wednesday in August in the year in which the examination is taken. The dissertation must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in Word format. The dissertation shall be provided with an abstract of up to 250 words, to be placed immediately after the title page. The word count shall be stated on the front cover title page of the thesis.'

Explanatory Notes

Minor change to language regarding location of word count for thesis.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 14/09/17

Title of Programme

MSc Comparative Social Policy

Brief note about nature of change: clarification of option papers

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2016 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mosbcicompsocipoli/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
- **'C**. One optional paper. This will be from the list of optional papers as specified for the M.Phil. in Comparative Social Policy. In exceptional circumstances and with the special permission of the Course Director, the optional paper may be from subjects outside this list.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to clarify that students may take option papers from outside the programme list, as per the MPhil.

SSD/2/2/4

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/06/16 and by Education Committee on 17/06/16

Title of Programme

MSc Contemporary Chinese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: correction to Gazette notice

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcicontchinstud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

Delete citation reference 1.33 – 1.38 as follows:

'Oxford 1+1 MBA programme

Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

(i) Attendance of one of the summer elective programmes offered for the Master of Business Administration to be published by the MBA Director before the first Monday of the preceding term. Candidates would be required to undertake all assessments and receive feedback, but would not obtain credit towards the MBA. Candidates are not permitted to

subsequently undertake the same elective as part of the MBA programme the following year.

(ii) A formatively assessed assignment of no more than 5,000 words (including all prefatory matter and appendices) supervised by the Saïd Business School academic advisor, which will relate the Master's degree learning to an appropriate area of the MBA programme. Candidates would also be required to present a work plan related to this assignment to the 1+1 programme class.

(iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.'

Explanatory Notes

Correction to Gazette notice of 20/07/17 – the programme has changed to 12 months and therefore no longer needs the regulations for the MBA 1+1 bridging programme.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC by Chair's Action on 24/08/17

Title of Programme

MSc Environmental Change and Management

Brief note about nature of change: change to require online submission

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mosbciechanandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:
- '(iii) two assessed essays based on Elective courses. These must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site by the times and dates specified at the start of the course. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:
- '6. Two typewritten or printed copies of the dissertation must arrive, not The dissertation must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than noon on the first weekday of September in the year in which the written examination is taken. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work., to the M.Sc. Examiners (Environmental Change and Management), c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford OX1 4BG. The examiners may retain one copy of the dissertation of each candidate who passes the examination for deposit in an appropriate

department library.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to require online submission of work.

SSD/2/2/4

1

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 02/06/17

Title of Programme

MSc Learning and Teaching

Brief note about nature of change: correction to Gazette notice of 22/06/17

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mosbcilearandteac/studentview/

Effective date

For all students on course from MT 2017

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.4 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- 'Part 1 will be examined by two-one coursework assignments as described in clause 4 below.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- 'Part II will be examined by one coursework assignment as described in clause 5-4 below.'
- 3. Amend citation reference 1.8-1.9 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '4. Parts I <u>and of the M.Sc. in Learning and Teaching shall be examined by means of two</u> assignments relating to the content of the Part I elements of the topics of the programme of study taken by the candidate. Each assignment must be between 4,000 and 5,000 words in length, or their equivalent. Two printed copies of each assignment and one electronic copy (in a software format available in the department) must be delivered to the Chair of

Examiners, M.Sc. in Learning and Teaching, c/o Department of Education, 15 Norham Gardens, Oxford OX2 6PY. The deadline for submission of assignments 1 and 2 will take place before Week 5 of Trinity Term of the candidate's first year of study, and will be no later than noon on a date specified by the examiners and published in the course handbook.

- 5. Part II of the M.Sc. in Learning and Teaching shall each be examined by means of one coursework assignment relating to the content of the Part-II elements of the topics of the programme of study taken by the candidate. (Candidates may choose, in consultation with their supervisors, whether the assignment should be presented as a single piece of work, focused on the same issue, explored from the two different perspectives required, drawing explicitly on the learning from the two options, or as two smaller scale pieces, each focused on a different topic within the programme of study each carried out within different options but linked by a reflective introduction that brings the two studies together within the candidate's own practice of professional learning.) The assignment must be between 8,000 and 10,000 words in length, or their equivalent. Two printed copies of the assignment and eOne electronic copy (in a software format available in the department) must be submitted via the online Examinations portal, delivered to the Chair of Examiners, Postgraduate Diploma/M.Sc. in Learning and Teaching, c/o Department of Education, 15 Norham Gardens, Oxford OX2 6PY. The deadline for submission of assignments will take place before Week 5 of Trinity Term of the candidate's second year of study (or the first year if the candidate is exempted from part I), and will be no later than noon on a date specified by the examiners and published in the course handbook.'
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.10 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '65. Part III of the M.Sc. in Learning and Teaching shall be examined through a research and development project report, which presents a systematic account of a substantial practitioner research enquiry, focused on the design and implementation of a specific innovation in teaching and learning with a strong emphasis on the choice of appropriate criteria, and relevant evidence for evaluating its impact. The research and development work must involve a significant degree of collaboration with other adults, either engaging others in research; or enabling others to learn from research findings within the candidate's own school or educational setting. The research and development project report must be between 15,000 and 20,000 words in length, or their equivalent. Three printed copies of the project report and oOne electronic copy (in a software format available in the department) must be <u>submitted via the online Examinations portal</u> delivered to the Chair of Examiners, M.Sc. in Learning and Teaching, c/o Department of Education, 15 Norham Gardens, Oxford OX2 6PY, no later than noon on the third Friday in September of the candidate's third year on the course. One of the printed copies of the report must be hard bound and bear the name of the candidate. The hard bound copy of the research and development project report of each candidate who passes the examination will be retained by the Department of Education for deposit in the departmental library.'
- 5. Amend citation reference 1.11 as follows (next text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '76. Those candidates who meet any of the following criteria will be exempt from Part I of

the examination and will only be required to undertake Parts II and III. In such cases the assignment for Part II should relate to the content of Part II elements of the topics of the programme of study.'

- 6. Amend citation reference 1.15 as follows (next text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '87. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in an assignment or in the research and development project may be permitted to resubmit the assignment or project report on one occasion only. In each case For both an assignment and a research development project the deadline for resubmission is normally the standard submission deadline for the following year. For Part I and Part II assignments, the candidate can choose to resubmit within the deadline set for the next Part III research and development project within the same academic year (as described in clause 6 above).'
- 7. Amend citation reference 1.16-1.19 as follows (next text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '98. Candidates who fail outright an assignment within either Part I or Part II of the examination will not normally be permitted to embark on the next year's programme of study within the M.Sc. in Learning and Teaching until they have successfully resubmitted their assignment. Candidates who are awarded a marginal fail will normally be permitted to embark on the next year's programme of study within the M.Sc. in Learning and Teaching, but will be required to resubmit the assignment.
- 409. The award of Distinction within the M.Sc. in Learning and Teaching is normally reserved for those candidates who receive distinction marks for both the assignment submitted for Part II of the examination, and for the final research and development project report. The examiners may also award a distinction on occasion to a candidate who has achieved a high pass for Part II of the examination, and an appropriately high distinction in Part III of the examination.
- <u>104</u>. Candidates may also be examined orally on their final research and development project.
- <u>112</u>. Candidates who successfully complete Parts I and II of the M.Sc. in Learning and Teaching (or who are exempt from Part I and successfully complete Part II) and who choose not to continue with their programme of study may be awarded a Postgraduate Diploma in Learning and Teaching.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes submitted in Gazette notice of 22/06/17 stated that the effective date was for students starting from MT 2017. The changes should be for all students currently on course from MT 2017.

SSD/2/2/4

1

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/06/16 and by Education Committee on 17/06/16

Title of Programme

MSc Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: correction to Gazette notice of 20/07/17

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2016

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

Delete text as follows:

'Oxford 1+1 MBA programme

Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

(i) Attendance of one of the summer elective programmes offered for the Master of Business Administration to be published by the MBA Director before the first Monday of the preceding term. Candidates would be required to undertake all assessments and receive feedback, but would not obtain credit towards the MBA. Candidates are not

permitted to subsequently undertake the same elective as part of the MBA programme the following year.

(ii) A formatively assessed assignment of no more than 5,000 words (including all prefatory matter and appendices) supervised by the Saïd Business School academic advisor, which will relate the Master's degree learning to an appropriate area of the MBA programme. Candidates would also be required to present a work plan related to this assignment to the 1+1 programme class.

(iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.'

Explanatory Notes

Correction to Gazette notice of 20/07/17 – the programme has changed to 12 months and therefore no longer needs the regulations for the MBA 1+1 bridging programme.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC by Chair's Action on 24/08/17

Title of Programme

MSc Nature, Society, and Environmental Governance

Brief note about nature of change: change to require online submission

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mosbcin-sandenvigove/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
- '(ii) two assessed essays based upon elective courses. These must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site by the times and dates specified at the start of the course. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work;'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.10 as follows:
- '6. The deadline for submission is dissertation must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than noon on the first weekday of September in the year in which the written examination is taken. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Two copies of the dissertation must be submitted, to the M.Sc examiners (Nature, Society and Environmental Governance), c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford OX1 4BG. The examiners may retain one copy of the dissertation of each candidate who passes the examination for deposit in an

appropriate library. Both copies must bear the candidate's examination number but not his/her name.'

- 3. Delete citation reference 1.11 as follows:
 - '7. All submitted work shall be accompanied by a separate statement certifying that the submitted work is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.12 as follows:
 - '87. In the written examination the examiners will permit the use of hand-held pocket calculators subject to the conditions set out under the heading 'Use of calculators in examinations' in the *Regulations for the Conduct of University Examinations*.'
- 5. Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:
 - '98. The examiners may also examine any candidate viva voce on the candidate's written papers, dissertation, or both.'
- 6. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows:
 - '409. Arrangements for reassessment shall be agreed by the Standing Committee and published in the course handbook.'
- 7. Amend citation reference 1.15 as follows:
 - '104. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to require online submission of work.

SSD/2/2/4 **Social Sciences Divisional Board** Approved on 15/09/17 **Title of Programme** MSc Social Anthropology Brief note about nature of change: removal of obsolete text Location of change In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcinsocianth/studentview/ **Effective date** For students starting from MT 2017 For first examination from 2017-18 Detail of change Delete citation reference 1.15 as follows: 'This option paper must be selected from List A (below).' **Explanatory Notes** Minor correction to delete obsolete text.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on 15/09/17

Title of Programme

MSc Visual, Material and Museum Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: minor amendment to language

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2016 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbciv-mandmuseanth/administratorview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.3 as follows:
 - '3. Four papers will be taken to constitute Part I of the degree, as follows. Paper 1 will be examined by coursework essay; Paper 2 will be examined either by coursework essay or one three-hour paper; Paper 3 will be examined by a portfolio of coursework notes reports (including notes) on trials of three research methods and a research proposal; Paper 4 will be examined by one three-hour paper. The dissertation will be taken to constitute Part II of the degree. A candidate who fails any of the component parts of the examination may re-take or re-submit that part of the examination on one occasion only. At the close of the written examinations, the examiners will publish a list of those who have satisfied them in Part I.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.4 as follows:
 - '4. Candidates will be required to submit written work, required for Papers 1 and 3, comprising an essay for Paper 1 and a research proposal (Paper 3(a)) and three

copies of a portfolio of coursework notes <u>reports (including notes) on trials of three</u> <u>research methods (Paper 3(b))</u> for Paper 3; to present themselves for a written examination for Papers 2 and 4 (where relevant), and to submit three copies of a dissertation in prescribed form on an approved topic as defined below.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to language regarding requirements for content of portfolio.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC by Chair's Action on 24/08/17

Title of Programme

MSc Water Science, Policy and Management

Brief note about nature of change: change to require online submission

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mosbciwspoliandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
- '(ii) two assessed essays based on elective courses. These must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site by the times and dates specified at the start of the course. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work;'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:
- '6. The deadline for submission of the dissertation is dissertation must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than noon on the first weekday of September in the year in which the written examination is taken. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Two copies of the dissertation must be submitted, to the M.Sc Examiners (Water Science, Policy and Management) c/o Examinations Schools, High Street, Oxford OX1 4BG. The examiners may retain one copy of the dissertation of each candidate who passes the examination for

deposit in an appropriate library. Both copies must bear the candidate's examination number but not his/her name.'

- 3. Delete citation reference 1.10 as follows:
- '7. All submitted work shall be accompanied by a separate statement certifying that that the submitted work is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.11 as follows:
- '87. In the written examination, the examiners will permit the use of hand-held pocket calculators subject to the conditions set out under the heading 'Use of calculators in examinations' in the Special Regulations concerning Examinations.'
- 5. Amend citation reference 1.12 as follows:
- '98. The examiners may also examine any candidate viva voce on the candidate's written papers, dissertation or both.'
- 6. Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:
- '109. Arrangements for reassessment shall be specified by the Standing Committee and published in the course handbook.'
- 7. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows:
- '104. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to require online submission of work.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC by Chair's Action on 24/08/17

Title of Programme

MPhil Biodiversity, Conservation, and Management

Brief note about nature of change: change to require online submission

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mopibiod-consandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:
- '(a) offer a thesis of not more than 30,000 words accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 300 words. The maximum word count shall include footnotes, but exclude appendices, references and the abstract. The detailed format and specification of the dissertation shall be approved by the Standing Committee, and be published in the course handbook. Two typewritten copies of the thesis must be submitted to the Examination Schools and addressed to the Chair of Examiners of the MPhil in Biodiversity, Conservation, and Management, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by The thesis must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than noon of the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Successful candidates will be required to deposit one copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library, and will be required to sign a form stating whether they will permit their thesis to be consulted. The thesis shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. Both copies must bear the candidate's

examination number but not his/her name.'

2. Amend citation reference 1.8 as follows:

'(b) submit one extended essay based on new work set as part of the assessment of the appropriate SoGE MSc elective module not taken in the first year of study. Essays based on an elective taken during Michaelmas Term shall be submitted by noon on the first weekday of Hilary Term. Essays based on an elective taken during Hilary Term, shall be submitted by noon on the first weekday of Trinity Term. These essays must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submission site by the dates indicated above and must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Approval for the topic of the essay must have been obtained from the elective leader prior to submission. The extended essay shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the extended essay is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to require online submission of work.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 14/09/17

Title of Programme

MPhil Comparative Social Policy

Brief note about nature of change: clarification of language

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mopicompsocipoli/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:
- '(b) Candidates are required to produce two essays of up to 2,500 words evaluating the research design, methods of data collection and analysis, and any ethical or philosophical issues that arise in a specified research paper. The Director of Graduate Studies shall publish two lists of research papers not later than noon on Monday of the first week of the second term; candidates will be required to write two essays, one about one of the quantitative papers and one about one of the qualitative. select one from both of these lists of papers as the subject for each essay. Candidates shall submit an electronic copy of each of the essays via the WebLearn site by 12 noon on Monday of the first week of the third term of the course, accompanied by a statement that they are the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. The electronic copies must be anonymous.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to clarify requirements of research methods essays

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC by Chair's Action on 24/08/17

Title of Programme

MPhil Development Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to require online submission

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mopindevestud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.27 as follows:

'(b) One research design essay of 3,000-5,000 words, assessed by the examiners appointed to examine for the M.Phil. in Development Studies. Candidates are required to submit the essay in Trinity Term of the first year of study. Candidates should upload the essay to the M.Phil. Development Studies WebLearn site by the time and date specified in the Course Handbook. The essay must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. In the event of a candidate's failing the essay, it must be rewritten, resubmitted and a pass mark awarded before the candidate may proceed to the second year of the course. The research design essay and the written paper in (a) above shall each constitute 50 per cent of the marks available for the examination of the candidate's knowledge of research methods.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to require online submission of the research design essay.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC by Chair's Action on 24/08/17

Title of Programme

MPhil Environmental Change and Management

Brief note about nature of change: change to require online submission

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mopienvichanandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:
- '(a) offer a thesis of not more than 30,000 words accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 300 words. The maximum word count shall include footnotes, but exclude appendices, references and the abstract. The detailed format and specification of the dissertation shall be approved by the Standing Committee, and be published in the course handbook. Two typewritten copies of the thesis must be submitted to the Examination Schools and addressed to the Chair of Examiners of the MPhil. in Environmental Change and Management, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by The thesis must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than noon of the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Successful candidates will be required to deposit one copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library, and will be required to sign a form stating whether they will permit their thesis to be consulted. The thesis shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. Both copies must bear the candidate's examination number but

not his/her name.'

2. Amend citation reference 1.8 as follows:

'(b) submit one extended essay based on new work set as part of the assessment of the appropriate SoGE MSc elective module not taken in the first year of study. Essays based on an elective taken during Michaelmas Term shall be submitted by noon on the first weekday of Hilary Term. Essays based on an elective taken during Hilary Term, shall be submitted by noon on the first weekday of Trinity Term. These essays must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site by the dates indicated above and must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Approval for the topic of the essay must have been obtained from the elective leader prior to submission. The extended essay shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the extended essay is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to require online submission of work.

SSD/2/2/4

1

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/06/16 and by Education Committee on 17/06/16

Title of Programme

MPhil Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: correction to new programme regulations

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopimodesoutasiastud/administratorview/ (correction to regulations published in Gazette of 20/07/17)

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.30 as follows:
- '(i) Candidates will complete a third essay based on the core course which will be issued on Friday of Week 8 of Michaelmas Term and should be submitted by 12 noon on Monday of week 1 of Hilary Term.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.31 as follows:
- '(ii) Candidates will choose two option papers from a list approved by the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee which will be assessed by three-hour written examinations in Trinity Term. This list will be published by the Course Director(s) in the Course Handbook at the beginning of each academic year.'

- 3. Amend citation reference 1.37 as follows:
- '14. A candidate who fails either the core course essay, any of the written examination papers or the thesis will be permitted to re-sit/re-submit on one further occasion when next examined.'

Explanatory Notes

Correction to regulations for new programme published in Gazette of 20/07/17

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC by Chair's Action on 24/08/17

Title of Programme

MPhil Nature, Society, and Environmental Governance

Brief note about nature of change: change to require online submission

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mopin-soci-andenvigove/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:
- '(a) offer a thesis of not more than 30,000 words accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 300 words. The maximum word count shall include footnotes, but exclude appendices, references and the abstract. The detailed format and specification of the dissertation shall be approved by the Standing Committee, and be published in the course handbook. The thesis must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than Two typewritten copies of the thesis must be submitted to the Examination Schools and addressed to the Chair of Examiners of the MPhil in Nature, Society, and Environmental Governance, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon of the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Successful candidates will be required to deposit one copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library, and will be required to sign a form stating whether they will permit their thesis to be consulted. The thesis shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. Both copies must bear the candidate's

examination number but not his/her name.'

2. Amend citation reference 1.8 as follows:

'(b) submit one extended essay based on new work set as part of the assessment of the appropriate SoGE MSc elective module not taken in the first year of study. Essays based on an elective taken during Michaelmas Term shall be submitted by noon on the first weekday of Hilary Term. Essays based on an elective taken during Hilary Term, shall be submitted by noon on the first weekday of Trinity Term. These essays must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site by the dates indicated above and must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Approval for the topic of the essay must have been obtained from the elective leader prior to submission. The extended essay shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the extended essay is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to require online submission of work.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC by Chair's Action on 24/08/17

Title of Programme

MPhil Water Science, Policy and Management

Brief note about nature of change: change to require online submission

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mopiwscie-poliandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:
- '(a) offer a thesis of not more than 30,000 words accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 300 words. The maximum word count shall include footnotes, but exclude appendices, references and the abstract. The detailed format and specification of the dissertation shall be approved by the Standing Committee, and be published in the course handbook. The thesis must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than Two typewritten copies of the thesis must be submitted to the Examination Schools and addressed to the Chair of Examiners of the MPhil in Water Science, Policy and Management, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon of the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Successful candidates will be required to deposit one copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library, and will be required to sign a form stating whether they will permit their thesis to be consulted. The thesis shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. Both copies must bear the candidate's

examination number but not his/her name.'

2. Amend citation reference 1.8 as follows:

'(b) submit one extended essay based on new work set as part of the assessment of the appropriate SoGE MSc elective module not taken in the first year of study. Essays based on an elective taken during Michaelmas Term shall be submitted by noon on the first weekday of Hilary Term. Essays based on an elective taken during Hilary Term, shall be submitted by noon on the first weekday of Trinity Term. These essays must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site by the dates indicated above and must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Approval for the topic of the essay must have been obtained from the elective leader prior to submission. The extended essay shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the extended essay is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to require online submission of work.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 12/09/17

Title of Programme

Honour School of Archaeology and Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: title change for option paper

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/hsoarchandanth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting FHS from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.53 1.77 as follows:
 - 'J. Culture and Society of West Africa
 - KJ. The emergence of Medieval Europe AD 400-900
 - LK. Evolution in Health and Medicine
 - ML. Farming and early states in Sub-Saharan Africa
 - NM. From hunting and gathering to states and empires in South-west Asia
 - ON. From the First Ceramics to the Terracotta Soldiers: The Archaeology of Early China

- ₽O. Gender theories and realities cross cultural perspectives
- QP. Greek archaeology and art c.500-323 BC
- RQ. Greeks and the Mediterranean World c.950-500 BC
- SR. Hellenistic Archaeology, 330-30 BC
- ∓S. Japanese society
- UT. Landscape Archaeology
- ¥<u>U</u>. Language and Anthropology
- $\ensuremath{ \underline{\mathsf{W}} \underline{\mathsf{V}}}$. The Late Bronze Age and Early Iron Age Aegean
- <u>XW</u>. The Later Prehistory of Europe
- ¥X. Lowland South America
- $\ensuremath{\underline{ZY}}$. Medical Anthropology: Sensory Experience, the Sentient Body and Therapeutics
 - AAZ. Mediterranean Maritime Archaeology
- BBAA. Mesopotamia and Egypt from the emergence of complex society to c.2000 BC
 - CCBB. Mesopotamia and Egypt 1000-500 BC
 - DDCC. Physical Anthropology and Human Osteoarchaeology
 - EEDD. Roman Archaeology: Cities and settlement under the Empire
 - FFEE. Science-based methods in Archaeology
 - GGFF. South Asia
 - HHGG. Themes in African Anthropology
 - HH. Understanding Museums and Collections'

Explanatory Notes

Change to title of option paper.

SSD/2/2/4

1

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC by Chair's Action on 07/09/17

Title of Programme

Preliminary Examination in Geography

Brief note about nature of change: minor amendment to rubrics

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2016 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/pexamingeog/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.19 as follows:

'The paper will require an understanding of the physical geography of the Earth, based around core concepts and principles. Candidates should be able to display familiarity with mechanisms and processes under the headings of Geomorphology, Climatology, and Ecology of the biosphere and a grasp of linkages between topics taught under these headings.'

2. Amend citation reference 1.21 as follows:

'The paper will examine the following themes and the relationships between them at a variety of scales: Geographies of Space and Place; Geographies of Networks and Mobilities; Geographies of Power, and Identity and Inequality.'

Explanatory Notes

Minor change to language of rubrics for two papers. No issues of vested interests as changes are to better describe current teaching.

SSD/2/2/4

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 24/02/17 and by Education Committee on 17/05/17

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: correction to Gazette notice of 20/07/17

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2016 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/pdifs-p-time/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference. 1.7-1.11 as follows (new text underlined):
- '(a) Four core courses, and satisfy the examiners in the assessment associated with each course. The four core courses are:
 - (i) Strategy;
 - (ii) Business Finance;
 - (iii) Financial Strategies for Growth;
 - (iv) Corporate Valuation.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- (b) Courses (i) to (iii) will each may be assessed by a 2-hour written examination. Course

(iv) will be assessed by a final integrative written assignment of 6,000 words. one or more of the following: written examinations, individual and group assignments, subject to the constraint that at least 50 per cent of marks in any course must be assigned to individual work. Assignments must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site, not later than 12 noon on the stipulated submission date, which will be published by the Course Programme Director by the first module of the course programme. All material submitted for the integrative written assignment shall be accompanied by a statement signed by the candidate indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'

- 3. Remove citation reference 1.16 as follows:
- '(c) A project report not exceeding 10,000 words on a topic agreed by the examiners. The project report must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site, not later than 12 noon on the stipulated submission date, which will be published by the Course Director by the first module of the course. All material submitted for the project report shall be accompanied by a declaration of authorship statement indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.17 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '2. Candidates may be examined viva voce on <u>one or more of the written examinations</u>. <u>assignments</u>, and <u>any assessment</u>, the <u>integrative written assignment</u> project report, or both.'
- 5. Amend citation reference 1.20 as follows (new text underlined):
- '5. With the approval of the Programme Director, a candidate may substitute core courses any of courses (i) to (iii) on the Postgraduate Diploma with core courses from the part-time MBA, 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

Correction to Gazette notice of 20/07/17 – corrections are highlighted

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 24/02/17 and by Education Committee on 17/05/17

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Global Business (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: correction to Gazette notice of 20/07/17

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/pdigb-p-time/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference. 1.7-1.11 as follows (new text underlined):
- '(a) Four courses, and satisfy the examiners in the assessment associated with each course. The four courses are:
 - (i) Global Strategy
 - (ii) Risk and Reputation
 - (iii) Corporate Diplomacy in a Global Context
 - (iv) The Challenges of Business in Emerging Markets'
 - 2. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

- '(b) Courses (i) to (iii) will each may be assessed by a 2-hour written examination. Course (iv) will be assessed by a final integrative written assignment of 6,000 words. one or more of the following: written examinations, individual and group assignments, subject to the constraint that at least 50 per cent of marks in any course must be assigned to individual work. Assignments must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site, not later than 12 noon on the stipulated submission date, which will be published by the Course Programme Director by the first module of the course programme. All material submitted for the integrative written assignment shall be accompanied by a statement signed by the candidate indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'
- 3. Delete citation reference 1.16 as follows:
- '(c) A project report not exceeding 10,000 words on a topic agreed by the examiners. The project report must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site, not later than 12 noon on the stipulated submission date, which will be published by the Course Director by the first module of the course. All material submitted for the project report shall be accompanied by a statement signed by the candidate indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.17 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '2. Candidates may be examined viva voce on one or more of the written examinations, assignments, and any assessment, the integrative written assignment project report, or both.'
- 5. Amend citation reference 1.20 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '5. With the approval of the Programme Director, a candidate may substitute core courses any of courses (i) to (iii) on the Postgraduate Diploma with core courses from the part-time MBA, the Postgraduate Diploma in Organisational Leadership, the Postgraduate Diploma in Strategy and Innovation, the Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy, or M.Sc. in Major Programme Management, assuming that core course falls within the permitted registration period for the original Postgraduate Diploma.'

Explanatory Notes

Correction to Gazette notice of 20/07/17 – corrections are highlighted

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 24/02/17 and by Education Committee on 17/05/17

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Organisational Leadership (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: correction to Gazette notice of 20/07/17

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2016 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/pdiol-p-time/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference. 1.7-1.11 as follows (new text underlined):
- '(a) Four courses, and satisfy the examiners in the assessment associated with each course. The four courses are:
 - (i) Leadership Fundamentals;
 - (ii) The Strategic Mindset;
 - (iii) Leading Organisational Change;
 - (iv) The Strategic Leader.'
 - 2. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

- '(b) Courses (i) to (iii) will each may be assessed by a 2-hour written examination. Course (iv) will be assessed by a final integrative written assignment of 6,000 words. one or more of the following: written examinations, individual and group assignments, subject to the constraint that at least 50 per cent of marks in any course must be assigned to individual work. Assignments must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site, not later than 12 noon on the stipulated submission date, which will be published by the Course Programme Director by the first module of the course programme. All material submitted for the integrative written assignment shall be accompanied by a statement signed by the candidate indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'
- 3. Delete citation reference 1.16 as follows:
- '(c) A project report not exceeding 10,000 words on a topic agreed by the examiners. The project report must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site, not later than 12 noon on the stipulated submission date, which will be published by the Course Director by the first module of the course. All material submitted for the project report shall be accompanied by a statement signed by the candidate indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.17 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '2. Candidates may be examined viva voce on one or more of the written examinations, assignments, and any assessment, the integrative written assignment project report, or both.'
- 5. Amend citation reference 1.20 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '5. With the approval of the Programme Director, a candidate may substitute core courses any of courses (i) to (iii) on the Postgraduate Diploma with core courses from the part-time MBA, the Postgraduate Diploma in Global Business, the Postgraduate Diploma in Strategy and Innovation, the Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy, or M.Sc. in Major Programme Management, assuming that core course falls within the permitted registration period for the original Postgraduate Diploma.'

Explanatory Notes

Correction to Gazette notice of 20/07/17 – corrections are highlighted

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 24/02/17 and by Education Committee on 17/05/17

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Strategy and Innovation (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: correction to Gazette notice of 20/07/17

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/pdisai-p-time/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference. 1.8-1.12 as follows (new text underlined):
- '(a) four courses, and satisfy the examiners in the assessment associated with each course. The four courses are:
 - (i) Strategy
 - (ii) Innovation Strategy
 - (iii) Globalisation and Strategy
 - (iv) Strategy in Action

Details can be found in the course handbook.'

2. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck

through):

- '(b) Courses (i) to (iii) will each may be assessed by a 2-hour written examination. one or more of the following: written examinations, individual and group assignments, subject to the constraint that at least 50 per cent of marks in any course must be assigned to individual work. 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 WebLearn site, not later than 12 noon on the stipulated submission date, which will be published by the Course Programme Director by the first module of the course programme. All material submitted for the integrative written assignment shall be accompanied by a statement signed by the candidate indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'
- 3. Delete citation reference 1.16 as follows:
- '(c) A project report not exceeding 10,000 words on a topic agreed by the examiners. The project report must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site, not later than 12 noon on the stipulated submission date, which will be published by the Course Director by the first module of the course. All material submitted for the project report shall be accompanied by a statement signed by the candidate indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.17 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '2. Candidates may be examined viva voce on one or more of the written examinations, assignments, and the project report integrative written assignment.'
- 5. Amend citation reference 1.20 as follows (new text underlined):
- '5. With the approval of the Programme Director, a candidate may substitute core courses any of courses (i) to (iii) on the Postgraduate Diploma with core courses from the part-time MBA, the Postgraduate Diploma in Global Business, the Postgraduate Diploma in Organisational Leadership, the Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy, or M.Sc. in Major Programme Management, assuming that core course falls within the permitted registration period for the original Postgraduate Diploma.'

Explanatory Notes

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Correction to Gazette notice of 20/07/17 – corrections are highlighted

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SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 23 September 2017

Title of Programme

MSc Archaeological Science

Brief note about nature of change: changes to allow on-line submissions

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mosbcinarchscie/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.6 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '(b) one pre-set essay of no more than 10,000 words, the subject and length of which must be approved by the examiners before the end of Michaelmas Full Term. <u>Candidates must upload their essay to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site Two copies of the essay must be delivered to the Examination Schools by noon on the Monday of first week of Trinity Term. Essays must be printed, must bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name, and must include a statement of the number of words. Any illustrations must be included in both copies.'</u>
- 1. Amend citation 1.9 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '6. Three typewritten copies of the dissertation must be sent, Candidates must upload their dissertation to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site no not later than noon on the Friday four weeks and two days before the start of the following Michaelmas Term, to the M.Sc. Examiners (Archaeological Science), c/o Examination Schools, High Street,

Oxford. The examiners will retain one copy of the dissertation of each candidate for the departmental library.

With respect to essays and dissertations, only the file submitted via WebLearn constitutes a valid submission; no concomitant hard-copy submission must be submitted for any purpose. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to introduce on-line submission for essays and the dissertation.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 19 September 2017

Title of Programme

MSc Contemporary Chinese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to clarify re-sit arrangements

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017, as amended by Gazette of 21/09/17

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.28 as follows:
- '6. Candidates will complete a 12,000 word thesis (including all footnotes and appendices notes and references but excluding the table of contents, abstract and the bibliography of cited works). The title of the thesis must be approved by the Course Director not later than 12 noon on Friday of week 1 of Hilary Term in the academic year in which the examination is taken. The thesis must be submitted by 12 noon of the weekday on or nearest to 1 September in the year in which the examination is taken. The thesis must be accompanied by a statement that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.32 as follows:
- '10. Candidates who fail any item of coursework for Research Methods for Area Studies overall will be permitted to resubmit a new submission for the failed piece(s) of work within four weeks of publication of the failed mark(s), on a date to be specified by the Chair of Examiners. Candidates who fail one or more of the examination papers or the thesis will be permitted to retake the examination paper(s) or resubmit the thesis on one further occasion

only, not later than one year after the first attempt.'
Explanatory Notes
Change to clarify re-sit arrangements and clarification of word limit

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 19 September 2017

Title of Programme

MSc Japanese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to clarify re-sit arrangements

Location of change

Amendment to regulations published in the Gazette of 20 July

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

1. Amend clause 5 as follows:

'Candidates who fail any item of coursework the research methods course overall will be permitted to resubmit a new submission for the failed piece(s) of work within four weeks of publication of the failed mark(s), on a date to be specified by the Chair of Examiners.

Candidates who fail one or more of the examination papers or the dissertation will be permitted to retake the examination paper(s) or resubmit the dissertation on one further occasion only, not later than one year after the first attempt.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to clarify re-sit arrangements

SSD/2/2/4

1

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 19 September 2017

Title of Programme

MSc Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to clarify re-sit arrangements and changes to assessment dates

Location of change

Amendment to regulations published in the Gazettes of 20 July and 21 September 2017

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend clause 4(ii) as follows:
- '(ii) Qualitative and Historical Methods: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum practical exercise in the collection and analysis of qualitative data by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a 2,500 word take-home essay on Historical Methods to be set by Friday Monday of Week 54 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term.'
- 2. Amend clause 4(iii) as follows:
- '(iii) Qualitative Methods, Literature and Language: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum practical exercise in the collection and analysis of qualitative data by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a 2,500 word take-home essay on Literature and Language to be set by Friday Monday of Week 54 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term.'

3. Amend clause 5 as follows:

'5. Candidates will choose three option papers from a list approved by the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee each of which will be assessed by one three-hour written examination in Trinity Term. This list will be published by the Course Director(s) in the Course Handbook at the beginning of each academic year. The availability of options in any one year will depend on teaching resources and the level of student interest. Students should select three of these papers in consultation with their supervisor. Native speakers or advanced learners may substitute one option paper with an <u>appropriate</u> advanced language option as described for the final year examination of the MPhil in Modern South Asian Studies—(further details are provided in the Course Handbook). With special permission of the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee, candidates may choose papers offered by other relevant Master's degrees in the University, subject also to permission by the relevant Graduate Studies Committee. Candidates will take the standard assessment for such options.'

4. Amend clause 6 as follows:

'6. Candidates will complete a 12,000 word thesis (including all notes and references but excluding the bibliographyfull details of what is included in the word count are provided in the Course Handbook). The title of the thesis must be approved by the Course Director(s) by 12 noon on Friday of Week 3 of Hilary Term in the academic year in which the examination is taken. The thesis must be submitted by 12 noon of the weekday on or nearest to 1 September in the year in which the examination is taken. The thesis must be accompanied by a statement that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'

Amend clause 10 as follows:

'10. A candidate who fails any element of 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.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to clarify re-sit arrangements for the research methods course and changes to the set date for research methods assessment.

SSD/2/2/4

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 23 September 2017

Title of Programme

MPhil Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: change to allow on-line submissions

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mophilinarch/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.7 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '(a) to satisfy the examiners in a Qualifying Examination identical with that for the degree of Master of Studies in Archaeology and [For students starting from MT 2016: comprising three subjects] governed by regulations 5-98 for that degree, in the Trinity Full Term of the academic year in which their name is first entered on the Register for M.Phil. [For students starting before MT 2016: students except that under regulation 5(c) of that degree a 10,000 word dissertation may not normally be offered, and in its place of a second subject should be offered selected from Schedules B-D, examined by two pre-set essays.] In the case of failure in one part of the Qualifying Examination, the candidate will have the same rights of resubmission as for the Master of Studies and, if successful, will be granted permission to supplicate for the degree of Master of Studies but will not be permitted to proceed to the second year of the M.Phil. Candidates whose work in the Qualifying Examination is judged by the examiners to be of the standard required for the degree of M.St in Archaeology, but not of the standard required to proceed to the second year of the M.Phil. in Archaeology, will be granted permission to supplicate for the degree of Master of

Studies in Archaeology;'

- 2. Amend citation 1.8 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- (b) to upload to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site no deliver to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, not later than noon on the Friday of the sixth week of Trinity Full Term in the academic year after that in which their name is first entered on the Register for M.Phil. students, a thesis of not more than 25,000 words (excluding bibliography and any descriptive catalogue or other factual matter, but including notes and appendices) on the subject approved in accordance with regulations 6 and 10 below;
- 3. Amend citation 1.15 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '9. Where options are examined by pre-set essays (as specified in 5 above), candidates will [For students starting before MT 2016: normally select essay topics from a list offered by their supervisors. The proposed essay titles, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval to the Chair of Examiners by noon on Friday of the seventh week of the Hilary Full Term preceding the examinations. Candidates must submit two copies of their essays by not later than noon on Friday of the sixth week of Trinity Full Term, to the Examination Schools. Essays must be typed or printed.] [For students starting from MT 2016: propose essay topics in consultation with their supervisor or relevant course provider. The proposed essay titles, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval of the Chair of Examiners by no later than noon on Friday of the seventh week of the term in which the instruction for that subject is given. Candidates must upload their preset essays to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site no deliver to the Examination Schools two copies of their essays by not later than noon on Monday of the first week of the term following that in which instruction for that subject was given. Essays must be printed and should bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name. Any illustrations must be included in both copies.

With respect to preset essays and theses, only the file submitted via WebLearn constitutes a valid submission, no concomitant hard-copy submission may be submitted for any purpose. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to introduce on-line submission for preset essays and the thesis. Note changes made to the MSt Archaeology regulations will also permit on-line submission of the pre-set essays which form part of the Qualifying Examination for the MPhil programme, and introduce a new option.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 23 September 2017

Title of Programme

MPhil Classical Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: change to allow on-line submissions

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mopinclasarch/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.7 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- (b) to upload to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site no deliver to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, not-later than noon on the Friday of the sixth week of Trinity Full Term in the academic year after that in which their name is first entered on the Register for M.Phil. Students, a thesis 1 of not more than 25,000 words (excluding bibliography and any descriptive catalogue or other factual matter, but including notes and appendices) on the subject approved in accordance with regulations 6 and 10 below; the thesis should bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name.
- 2. Amend citation 1.14 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '9. Where options are being examined by pre-set essays (as specified in 5 above), candidates will propose essay topics in consultation with their supervisor or relevant course provider. The proposed essay titles, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval to the Chair of Examiners by no later than noon on Friday of the seventh week of

the term in which the instruction for that subject is given. Candidates must <u>upload their</u> <u>essays to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site</u> <u>submit two copies of their essays</u> by no later than noon on the Monday of the first week of the term following that in which the instruction for that subject was given to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford. Essays must <u>be typed or printed and should</u> bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name.

With respect to preset essays and theses, only the file submitted via WebLearn constitutes a valid submission, no concomitant hard-copy submission may be submitted for any purpose. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to introduce on-line submission for essays and the thesis. Note changes made to the MSt Classical Archaeology regulations will also permit on-line submission of the pre-set essays which form part of the Qualifying Examination for the MPhil programme.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 19 September 2017

Title of Programme

MPhil Japanese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to clarify re-sit arrangements

Location of change

Amendment to regulations published in the Gazette of 20 July

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

1. Amend clause 5 as follows:

'Candidates who pass each of the four elements of the first year will be permitted to proceed to the second year of the course and take the final examinations. Candidates who fail any item of coursework the research methods course overall will be permitted to resubmit a new submission for the failed piece(s) of work within four weeks of publication of the failed mark(s), on a date to be specified by the Chair of Examiners.

Candidates who fail one or more of the examination papers may, by permission of the MPhil in Japanese Studies Examination Board, proceed to the second year of the course and re-sit the failed papers during the final examination.'

- 2. Amend clause 7 Mode B (i) as follows:
- '(i) Two three-hour written options papers chosen from a list published annually and distributed to students by Friday of week 0 of Michaelmas Term, and taken at the end of Trinity Term of the second year of the course.'

- 3. Amend clause 9(i) as follows:
- '(i) Advanced Research Methods:

One three hour written option paper or appropriate assignments as specified by the department offering the research methods course, as specified agreed by the Japanese Studies Committee. The forms of assessment, and the dates and times of submission, where applicable, will be notified to students by Friday of week 0 of Michaelmas Term.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to clarify re-sit arrangements and minor text updates

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 19 September 2017

Title of Programme

MPhil Modern Chinese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: changes to clarify re-sit arrangements and rename a course

Location of change

Amendment to regulations published in the Gazette of 20 July

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend clause 6 as follows:
- '6. Candidates will complete either.

Research Methods for Area Studies: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum practical exercise in the collection and analysis of qualitative data not later than 12 noon on Monday of week 9 of Michaelmas Term; 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; and a 2,500 word maximum individual research proposal not later than 12 noon Monday of week 9 of Hilary Term.

Or.

Qualitative Methods and Modern Chinaese Humanities: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum individual research proposal by 12 noon on Thursday of week 6 of Trinity Term and also present themselves for a three-hour written examination in the study of

Modern China at the end of Trinity Term.

Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work. Two printed copies of each of the items of written work detailed above, and, in addition an electronic copy on a memory stick or CD, must be delivered to the Examination Schools, addressed to the Chair of Examiners for the MPhil in Modern Chinese Studies, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford at the times and days specified for each paper.'

2. Amend clause 7 as follows:

7. Candidates will be required to pass each of the core course examination, language examination and the research methods assessments either the Research Methods for Area Studies course overall, or the research proposal and the written examination for the Modern China Humanities course to be allowed to progress to the second and final year. Candidates who fail any item of coursework for research methods the Research Methods for Area Studies course overall will be permitted to resubmit a new submission for the failed piece(s) of work within four weeks of publication of the failed mark(s), on a date to be specified by the Chair of Examiners. Candidates who have failed to pass either element of the Modern China Humanities course or any of the other components will be given the opportunity to retake the component(s) before the commencement of the next academic year. Candidates who fail the option paper will be required to re-sit and pass the failed paper when next offered the following year.'

3. Amend clause 12 as follows:

'12. Candidates will complete a 20,000 word thesis (including all footnotes and appendices notes and references but excluding the table of contents, abstract and the bibliography of cited works). The title of the thesis must be approved by the Course Director by 12 noon on Friday of week 1 of Hilary Term in the academic year in which the examination is taken. The thesis must be submitted by 12 noon on Tuesday of week 2 in Trinity Term. The thesis must be accompanied by a statement that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to clarify re-sit arrangements and to rename a research methods course and changes to clarify word limit

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 19 September 2017

Title of Programme

MPhil Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: changes to clarify language assessment and re-sit arrangements

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopimodesoutasiastud/administratorview/ as amended by Gazette of 21/09/17

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.11 as follows:
- '(ii) Qualitative and Historical Methods: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum practical exercise in the collection and analysis of qualitative data by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a 2,500 word take-home essay on Historical Methods to be set by Friday Monday of Week 45 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.12 as follows:
- '(iii) Qualitative Methods, Literature and Language: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum practical exercise in the collection and analysis of qualitative data by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a 2,500 word take-home essay on Literature and Language to be set by Friday Monday of Week 45 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term.'

3. Amend citation reference 1.15 as follows:

'Candidates will complete an intensive language course in Hindi or a substitute core language as specified in the Course Handbook (teaching for some languages may not be available every year). (Beginners or Advanced), Brajbhasha and Old Hindi Texts I, or a substitute core language, based on knowledge of grammar, translation and reading comprehension (teaching for some languages may not be available every year) to be assessed by a series of written tests and essays as specified by the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee, and a three-hour written examination at the end of Trinity term of the first year. The forms of assessment, and dates and times of submission, where applicable, will be notified to students no later than Friday of Week 0 of Michaelmas Term.'

4. Amend citation reference 1.18 as follows:

'Candidates will choose three option papers from a list approved by the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee each of which will be assessed by one three-hour written examination in Trinity Term. This list will be published by the Course Director(s) in the Course Handbook at the beginning of each academic year. The availability of options in any one year will depend on teaching resources and the level of student interest. Students should select three of these papers in consultation with their supervisor. Native speakers or advanced learners may substitute one option paper with an appropriate advanced language option (further details are provided in the Course Handbook) as described for the final year examination of the MPhil in Modern South Asian Studies. With special permission of the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee, candidates may choose papers offered by other relevant Master's degrees in the University, subject also to permission by the relevant Graduate Studies Committee. Candidates will take the standard assessment for such options.'

- 5. Amend citation reference 1.20 as follows:
- '5. To be permitted to progress to the second year of the MPhil course all candidates must pass the two core course essays, all elements of the research methods course overall, and for students following the language track, the language examination. A candidate who fails any element of 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. A candidate who fails either of the core course essays or the language examination paper will be permitted to re-submit the essay(s) or re-sit the paper on one further occasion, normally at the beginning of the September preceding the second year.'
- 6. Amend citation reference 1.24 as follows:
- '7. Candidates will complete a course in Advanced Research Methods. Candidates will be required to make an oral presentation and to submit coursework materials as set out in the Course Handbook.'
- 7. Amend citation reference 1.27 as follows:
- (i) Candidates will complete an the intensive language course commenced in the first year,

progressing to an advanced level, in Hindi or a substitute core language as specified in the Course Handbook (teaching for some languages may not be available every year), (Advanced), Hindi and Urdu, Literary Hindi, Literary Hindi and Urdu, Bengali, Brajbhasha & Old Hindi Texts II, Sanskrit, Tibetan or Persian, based on knowledge of grammar, translation, and reading comprehension and literary context, (teaching for some languages may not be available every year) to be assessed by a three-hour written examination at the end of Trinity Term.'

- 8. Amend citation reference 1.30 as follows:
- '(ii) Candidates will choose two option papers from a list approved by the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee <u>each of</u> which will be assessed by <u>one</u> three-hour written examinations in Trinity Term. This list will be published by the Course Director(s) in the Course Handbook at the beginning of each academic year.'
- 9. Amend citation reference 1.33 as follows:
- '10. Candidates will complete a 30,000 word maximum thesis (including all notes and references but excluding the bibliography-full details of what is included in the word count are provided in the Course Handbook). The title of the thesis must be approved by the Course Director(s) by 12 noon on Monday of Week 3 of Michaelmas Term in the academic year in which the examination is taken. The thesis must be submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 4 in Trinity Term. The thesis must be accompanied by a statement that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to refer students to handbook for list of available languages, change to make Advanced Research Methods formative assessment, changes to clarify re-sits arrangements for research methods, changes to set dates for methods assessment and minor text updates.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 23 September 2017

Title of Programme

MSt Archaeological Science

Brief note about nature of change: changes to allow on-line submissions

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mosinarchscie/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.7 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '(b) one pre-set essay of approximately 10,000 words, the subject and length of which must be approved by the examiners before the end of Michaelmas Full Term. <u>Candidates must upload their essay to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site by Two copies of the essay must be delivered to the Examination Schools by noon on the Monday of first week of Trinity Term. Essays must be printed, must bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name, and must include a statement of the number of words. Any illustrations must be included in both copies.'</u>
- 1. Amend citation 1.10 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '7. Three printed copies of the report on the Candidates must upload the report of their practical project to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site must be sent, to the M.St. Examiners (Archaeological Science), c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, no later than noon on the Friday of ninth week of the Trinity Term in the year in

which the examination is taken.

With respect to essays and practical project reports, only the file submitted via WebLearn constitutes a valid submission; no concomitant hard-copy submission must be submitted for any purpose. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to introduce on-line submission for essays and the practical project reports.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 23 September 2017

Title of Programme

MSt Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: changes to allow on-line submissions and to introduce a new option

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mostudinarch/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.7 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '(b) one further subject selected from Schedules B–D, to be examined by two pre-set essays (each of 5,000 words). Candidates will propose essay topics in consultation with their supervisor or relevant course provider. The proposed essay titles, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval of the Chair of Examiners by no later than noon on Friday of the seventh week of the term in which the instruction for that subject is given. Candidates must deliver to the Examination Schools two copies of upload their essays to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site by not later than noon on Monday of the first week of the term following that in which the instruction for that subject was given. Essays must be printed and should bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name. Any illustrations must be included in both copies.'
- 2. Amend citation 1.9 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

The title of the dissertation must be approved by the candidate's supervisor and by the School of Archaeology's Graduate Studies Committee. The title of the dissertation must be clearly distinct from the pre-set essay titles. The dissertation must be the work of the candidate alone, and aid from others must be limited to prior discussion of the subject, bibliographic advice, help with access to study material and advice on presentation. The dissertation must be a new piece of work, substantially different from any dissertation previously submitted by the candidate for a degree of this or another university. When the dissertation is submitted, it must be accompanied by a statement, signed by the candidate, confirming that these conditions have been met. The proposed title of the dissertation, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval by the committee by noon on the Tuesday of the eighth week of the Michaelmas Full Term preceding the examination. Candidates must upload their dissertations to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site Two copies typed or printed (the second may be a photocopy) in double spacing on one side only of A4 paper and bound simply or filed securely, must be delivered in a parcel bearing the words 'Dissertation for the M.St. in Archaeology' to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, not later than noon on the Friday of the sixth week of Trinity Full Term and should bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name. Candidates will be required to deposit one copy of the dissertation with the Examination Schools.

With respect to preset essays and dissertations, only the file submitted via WebLearn constitutes a valid submission; no concomitant hard-copy submission must be submitted for any purpose. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'

3. Insert new text after citation 1.33:

'Interdisciplinary Approaches to Chinese Ceramics: From Early Vessels to Export Wares'

- 4. Amend citation 1.50 as follows (deleted text struck through):
- '9. Where options are examined by pre-set essays as specified in 5 (b) above, candidates will agree topics in consultation with their relevant course convenor. The proposed essay titles, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval to the Chair of Examiners by noon on Friday of the seventh week of the Hilary Full Term preceding the examinations. Candidates must submit two copies of their essays by not later than noon on Monday of the second week of Trinity Full Term to the Examination Schools. Essays must be printed.'
- 5. Amend citations 1.51-1.52 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '409. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.
- 14<u>0</u>. In the case of failure in just one part of the examination, the candidate will be permitted to retake that part of the examination on one further occasion, not later than one year after the initial attempt. Written papers would be retaken the following year.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to introduce on-line submission for pre-set essays and the dissertation, and to introduce a new option course

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 23 September 2017

Title of Programme

MSt Classical Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: change to allow on-line submissions

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mosinclasarch/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.9 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

The topic of the dissertation must be approved by the candidate's supervisor and by the School of Archaeology Committee for Graduate Studies. The topic of the dissertation must be clearly distinct from the pre-set essay titles. The dissertation must be the work of the candidate alone, and aid from others must be limited to prior discussion of the subject, bibliographic advice, help with access to study material and advice on presentation. The dissertation must be a new piece of work, substantially different from any dissertation previously submitted by the candidate for a degree of this or another university. When the dissertation is submitted, it must be accompanied by a statement, signed by the candidate, confirming that these conditions have been met. The proposed title of the dissertation, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval by the committee by noon on the Tuesday of the eighth week of the Michaelmas Full Term preceding the examination. Candidates must upload their dissertation to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site no Two copies typed or printed (the second may be a photocopy) in double spacing on one side only of A4 paper and bound simply or filed securely, must be delivered

in a parcel bearing the words 'Dissertation for the M.St. in Classical Archaeology' to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, not later than noon on the Monday of the fifth week of Trinity Full Term and should bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name. Candidates will be required to deposit one copy of the dissertation with the Examination Schools.'

- 2. Amend citation 1.64 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '9. Candidates offering pairs of pre-set essays will propose essay topics in consultation with their supervisor or relevant course provider. The proposed essay titles, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval of the Chair of Examiners by no later than noon on Friday of the seventh week of the term in which the instruction for that subject is given. Candidates must <u>upload their preset essays to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site no deliver to the Examination Schools two copies of their essays by not-later than noon on Monday of the first week of the term following that in which the instruction for that subject was given. Essays must be typed or printed and should bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name. Any illustrations must be included in both copies.</u>

With respect to preset essays and theses, only the file submitted via WebLearn constitutes a valid submission, no concomitant hard-copy submission may be submitted for any purpose. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to introduce on-line submission for preset essays and the thesis.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 28 September 2017

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: changes to introduce integrated theses

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/rdegrinanth/

Effective date

With immediate effect

Detail of change

1. Insert after citation 1.22 (new text underlined) and re-number:

"4. Integrated Thesis Format

In consultation with their supervisor(s) and the Director of Graduate Studies, doctoral students may opt to submit a thesis in the integrated format. The thesis chapters must be framed by an introduction, a literature review and a conclusion. Such a body of work must address an overarching research question and represent a coherent and focused body of research and must overall be equivalent to what would normally be acceptable for a thesis in the monograph format. There is no formal limit on the number of chapters, but the normal thesis word limits apply.

Work that is the product of collaborative effort may be included in the thesis, on condition that the candidate is responsible for the majority contribution to that work, in terms of intellectual development, practical implementation, and writing up, and that their contribution is demonstrated; any collaborators or co-authors must certify in writing to the

School's Teaching Committee what part of the work represents that of the candidate.

Candidates who wish to proceed by this route should elect to do so before applying for confirmation of status. Should a candidate subsequently wish to revert to monograph format, they must submit a written application to the Director of Graduate Studies, with the support of their supervisor, detailing the reasons for the change.

Specific procedures relating to the integrated thesis format are detailed in the DPhil student handbook."

2. Edit citation 1.34 (new text underlined) as follows:

"The student will be required to give evidence confirming that the research already carried out gives promise of the ability to produce a satisfactory D.Phil. thesis on the intended topic. For this purpose the applicant must submit: (a) a detailed outline of the whole of the proposed thesis, including an indication of the topics, theories, arguments etc. to be covered in individual chapters (as applicable); and (b) at least one and not more than two sample chapters. In the latter case, the student is advised to submit one chapter that is basically ethnographic in type (if applicable), the other concerning the more general comparative and/or theoretical issues with which the thesis deals, though this advice may be varied in consultation with the supervisor(s). A student who wishes to proceed by the integrated thesis format must submit instead: (a) the introduction to the thesis together with a statement outlining how the chapters are integrated as a complete text; (b) at least one and not more than two sample chapters; (c) (as front matter) a statement listing any papers published or accepted for publication, or under consideration for publication, linked to the work presented in the thesis, outlining the candidate's contributions to any collaborative efforts; and (d) (as a separate document) a statement of permission from collaborators to include the work in the thesis, with each collaborator confirming the extent of the candidate's contribution. The outline should not exceed 4,000 words, and the submitted chapters should not exceed 20,000 words in total. If these materials do exceed these limits, the assessors are under no obligation to read beyond them, though they are permitted to require the student to submit extra materials to help them in reaching a recommendation. The materials should be submitted, in two copies, to the Departmental Office, Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology."

Explanatory Notes

Changes to add the option to submit a thesis in the integrated thesis format.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 28 September 2017

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in Economics, Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development

Brief note about nature of change: changes to introduce articles-based and integrated theses

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rdtoxfointeinst/

Effective date

With immediate effect

Detail of change

1. Insert after citation 1.41 (new text underlined) as follows:

"Additional regulations for the Department of Sociology

Articles-based or Integrated theses

An articles-based thesis may be accepted for examination if it consists of a minimum of three papers of publishable quality. An integrated thesis may be accepted for examination if it consists of one or more papers combined with one or more conventional chapters. In either case, the thesis should represent a coherent and focused body of work, and should be framed by an introduction, a general survey of the literature, and a conclusion. The thesis may include co-authored papers where the greater part of the work should be directly attributable to the candidate, and their supervisor and co-author(s) so certify. Statements outlining the student's contribution should be submitted with applications for Transfer and/or Confirmation of Status. The assessors will review the co-authorship statements and confirm whether the greater part of the work is that of the student. Candidates must also submit a statement with their Application for Appointment of Examiners demonstrating that

their work represents the majority contribution to any co-authored papers.

To submit an articles-based or integrated thesis, the candidate must make a case, supported by their supervisor, when applying for Transfer of Status, and further confirm their intention when applying for Confirmation of Status. The assessors will need to agree the proposed format and recommend approval to the Graduate Studies Committee.

The normal overall word limit for a DPhil thesis will apply. Further guidance can be found in the course handbook."

Explanatory Notes

Change to permit submission of a thesis an articles-based or integrated thesis formats.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 28 September 2017

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in the Oxford Internet Institute

Brief note about nature of change: changes to introduce integrated theses

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rdtoxfointeinst/

Effective date

With immediate effect

Detail of change

1. Insert after citation 1.40 (new text underlined) as follows:

"7. Special provisions for Integrated Theses

Permission to submit an integrated thesis consisting of an introduction, literature survey, and conclusion and a combination of chapters including one or more published or publishable articles should be made with the support of the student's supervisor(s) to the Doctoral Director prior to applying for either Transfer of Status or Confirmation of Status. Such a body of work must address an overarching research question and represent a coherent and focused body of research. If the Doctoral Director approves the request, the final decision will be made by the Graduate Studies Committee of the Oxford Internet Institute based on the recommendation of the assessors for these milestones. Applications to submit an integrated thesis will not be considered for students who have already passed Confirmation of Status.

A thesis submitted under this rubric may include co-authored articles. In the case of co-authored articles, students must submit to the Graduate Studies Committee a description of their contribution to the article and demonstrate that their work represents the majority contribution.

Students who wish to change back to a conventional thesis format are required to make this request in writing to the Graduate Studies Committee prior to applying for their next assessment milestone or final thesis submission.

The standard word limit regulations apply for integrated theses.

Further guidance can be found in the DPhil handbook."

Explanatory Notes

Change to add the option to submit a thesis in the integrated thesis format.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 28/09/17

Title of Programme

MPhil Russian and East European Studies

Brief note about nature of change: amendment to clarify language qualifying examination

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopiraeasteurostud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.10 as follows:
- '(a) a thesis of at least 25,000 words but not more than 30,000 words on a subject approved by the Management Committee for Russian and East European Studies, to be delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by Noon on Monday in the fourth week of Trinity Term in which the final examination is taken. The thesis must be accompanied by a statement that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.11 as follows:
- '(b) two subjects (optional courses) chosen from a list, which is approved annually by the Russian and East European Studies Management Committee. The selection of subjects have has to be approved by the Russian and East European Studies Management Committee in Trinity Term, Year 1. A candidate who fails the Final Examination may enter again, on one subsequent occasion, usually in Trinity Term, provided that this is still within

the twelve terms of his or her registration.'

3. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows:

'Language Requirement. Before admission to the final examination all candidates will be required to pass a language qualifying exam on the region, which is usually in Russian. In special circumstances permission may be granted for sitting an exam in another language. The specific arrangements for the provision and methods of assessment of language training are governed by the Examination Conventions and Notes of Guidance of the year of matriculation of the candidates.'

Explanatory Notes

Vested interests: Material provided to students starting the programme in MT 2017 stated that the language qualifying exam would be in Russian. There was no indication that the exam could be in another language. We are therefore satisfied that there are no CMA issues with the change.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 07/11/17 and on behalf of Education Committee on 08/11/17

Title of Programme

MPhil Sociology and Demography

Brief note about nature of change: change of mode of assessment

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2016 [URL of regulation]

http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopisocianddemo/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination (qualifying examination) from 2017-18

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.19 as follows:

'The theoretical foundation and practical implementation of the multilevel, actor-oriented life course approach in its application to demographic and sociological problems; the theoretical implications of life course designs; methods, design, and statistical techniques of life course research; key life course events (including births, deaths, migrations and relationship transitions); the role of the historical and geographical context for individual life courses; the role of kinship and network ties; and the role of human development (e.g. generalising the traditional demographic emphasis on period, cohort and age). Candidates shall submit research essay or reports as specified in the graduate studies handbook.'

Explanatory Notes

This is to change the mode of assessment of one module from assessed essay to unseen written examination.

Vested interests: All on-course students have been consulted and are content for the change to take place.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on 16/11/17

Title of Programme

Honour School of Philosophy, Politics and Economics

Brief note about nature of change: correction of wording

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/hsop-poliandecon/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting FHS from MT 2016

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

1. After citation reference 1.221 insert text as follows:

"No essay shall exceed 7,500 words, the limit to include all notes and appendices, but not bibliographies and experimental instructions. Candidates should include a select biography bibliography at the end of the essay. All instructions used during the essay experiment, including screen-shots if the experiment is conducted via computer, should be documented in an appendix. Footnotes have to be placed at the bottom of the relevant pages; citations have to be placed in the text."

Explanatory Notes

Correction of wording – no issues of vested interests.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by TAC on 18/11/16

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in Economics, Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development

Brief note about nature of change: removal of Economics regulations

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rdie-spaisandintedeve/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

Detail of change

- 1. Amend title of regulations as follows:
 - 'Research Degrees in Economics, Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development'
- 2. Remove citation reference 1.10-1.12 as follows:
 - 'Additional regulations for the Department of Economics

Probationer Research Students in Economics are required to take a qualifying examination, unless exempted from all or part of the examination by the appropriate Graduate Studies Committee, on the grounds of an appropriate previous graduate degree or substantial professional experience since graduation. The examination consists of the equivalent of five second year papers in the M.Phil. examination, where one first year M.Phil. paper is the equivalent of two second year papers, taken at the times set for that examination in Trinity Term. A student who does not achieve the required mark on a paper is automatically granted a two term extension

to Probationer Research Student status and is allowed to resit that paper once in the following Trinity Term examination, unless a special dispensation is obtained from the Graduate Studies Committee.

Probationer Research Students are required to achieve a mark of 64 on each of the papers they sit in order to pass the Qualifying Examination. In exceptional circumstances the Graduate Studies Committee may exempt a student from having to pass the examination is he/she receives marks of 50 or above on each paper. All requests for exemption will require the strong support of the supervisor.

3. Remove citation reference 1.27-1.29 as follows:

'Additional regulations for the sub-faculty of Economics

Those applying for confirmation of D.Phil. status in Economics shall present the preliminary results of their research at a departmental seminar or workshop as part of the confirmation process, under arrangements to be approved by the Director of Graduate Studies.

D.Phil. students coming from the M.Phil. in Economics must confirm status by the end of their eleventh term as a graduate student in Economics at the University of Oxford, inclusive of the time spent on the M.Phil.'

4. Remove citation reference 1.39-1.41 as follows:

'Additional regulations for the sub-faculty of Economics

Integrated thesis format

A DPhil thesis may be accepted for examination if it consists of a minimum of three papers of publishable quality, framed by an introduction, a literature survey (either written as a stand-alone chapter or divided among the constituent chapters), and a conclusion. Such a body of work shall be deemed acceptable provided it represents a coherent and focused body of work. A minimum of one paper must be authored solely by the candidate. Any co-authored papers must include a statement indicating the candidate's contribution to the paper. Where the co-author is another student at the University who also intends to include the paper in their thesis, permission to include the paper must be sought from the Director of Graduate Studies prior to applying for appointment of examiners. Current word limits and conditions remain in place.'

Explanatory Notes

The introduction of the part-time variant of the DPhil in Economics provided an opportunity to separate out Economics into its' own set of regulations.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of TAC on 17/11/17

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in Economics, Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development

Brief note about nature of change: changes to requirements for integrated theses

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rdie-spaisandintedeve/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.35-1.38 as follows:

'Social Policy D.Phil. Pathway:

A D.Phil. thesis may be accepted for examination if it consists of a minimum of four academic papers of publishable quality, framed by an introduction and a conclusion. Only one of the four academic papers may be a co-authored piece of work, with the candidate having contributed at least 70 percent of the work [to be confirmed by the co-author(s)]. Such a body of work shall be deemed acceptable provided it represents a coherent and focused body of research, addressing one overarching research question. Current overall word limits and conditions are detailed in the D.Phil. Notes for Guidance. Candidates wishing to proceed in this manner must be approved at the time of confirmation of D.Phil. status.

Social Intervention D.Phil. Pathway:

A D.Phil. thesis may be accepted for examination if it consists of a minimum of three

academic papers of publishable quality. Such a body of work shall be deemed acceptable provided it represents a coherent and focused body of research. It should include an Introduction, a Survey of Literature, and a Conclusion. Current word limits and conditions are detailed in the D.Phil. Notes for Guidance. A D.Phil. Thesis submitted under this rubric may include joint publications. Where joint publications are included, all co-authors must certify in writing to the Director of Graduate Studies that the majority of that work represents the work of the candidate. Candidates wishing to proceed in this manner must obtain permission from their supervisor, from the Director of Graduate Studies, and must be approved at the time of confirmation for D.Phil. status. Evidence must be submitted at the time permission is sought that at least one of the three academic papers has been submitted to an identified journal, if not yet accepted or published. If, after a petition is accepted, a candidate wishes to revert to a standard D.Phil. thesis format, the candidate must lodge a petition with his or her supervisor to be approved by the Director of Graduate Studies, showing good cause for the change. A DPhil thesis may be accepted for examination if it consists of either a minimum of four academic papers of publishable quality for the DPhil in Social Policy, or a minimum of three academic papers of publishable quality for the DPhil in Social Intervention. In either case the thesis should be framed by an introduction, a literature review, and a conclusion. Such a body of work shall be deemed acceptable provided it represents a coherent and focused body of research, addressing one overarching research question. A thesis submitted under this rubric may include joint publications, but for the DPhil in Social Policy only, at least one paper must be singleauthored. Where joint publications are included, all co-authors must certify in writing to the Director of Graduate Studies that at least 70% of that work represents that of the candidate. Current overall word limits and conditions are detailed in the DPhil Notes for Guidance. Candidates wishing to proceed in this manner should with the support of their supervisor obtain approval from the Director of Graduate Studies before applying for Confirmation of DPhil status. If a candidate wishes to revert to a standard DPhil thesis format, with the support of their supervisor, they should obtain approval from the Director of Graduate Studies, showing good cause for the change.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes are to more closely align the requirements between the two routes, whilst retaining key discipline-specific differences. The effective date is to take into account possible vested interests for on-course students – the changes are early enough in the academic year not to impact on students who commenced at the start of MT 2017.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by TAC on 18/11/16 and by Education Committee on 08/03/17

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in Economics

Brief note about nature of change: introduction of part-time variant of programme

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

Detail of change

Insert text as follows:

'Research Degrees in Economics

1. Governance

The DPhil in Economics shall be under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Department of Economics.

2. Attendance requirements

The DPhil in Economics shall be offered on a full-time and part-time basis. Full-time students are required to meet the residence requirements set out in §6 of the General Regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy. Part-time students are required to meet the following attendance requirements for their period of part-time study: attendance for a minimum of 30 days of university-based work each year (or 60 days in the first year of registration where a first year M.Phil. Economics paper is required as part of the Qualifying Examination), normally coinciding with the full terms of the academic year, to be arranged with the agreement of their supervisor, for the period that their names remain on the Register of Graduate Students unless individually dispensed by the Graduate Studies

Committee. During a student's probationary period the attendance arrangements must take account of relevant induction and training events scheduled by the department.

2. Qualifying Examination

Probationer Research Students in Economics are required to take a Qualifying Examination, unless exempted from all or part of the examination by the Graduate Studies Committee, on the grounds of an appropriate previous graduate degree or substantial professional experience since graduation. The examination shall consist of either one first year MPhil Economics paper and three second year papers, or five second year papers.

Probationer Research Students are required to achieve a mark of 64 on each of the papers they sit in order to pass the Qualifying Examination. In exceptional circumstances the Graduate Studies Committee may exempt a student from having to pass the examination if he/she receives marks of 50 or above on each paper. All requests for exemption will require the strong support of the supervisor.

(i) Full-time students

Full-time students will attend teaching for the Qualifying Examination during their first year of registration and will be assessed for each paper in Trinity Term of their first year. A student who does not achieve the required mark on a paper is automatically granted a two term deferral of Transfer of Status and is allowed to re-sit that paper once more when next offered, unless a special dispensation is obtained from the Graduate Studies Committee. If a student fails any paper on the second attempt they will be withdrawn from the Register of Graduate Students.

(ii) Part-time students

Part-time students will attend teaching for the Qualifying Examination during their first two to three years of registration, and will be assessed on each paper in the Trinity Term following completion of the teaching for that paper. A student who does not achieve the required mark is allowed to re-sit that paper once more when next offered, unless a special dispensation is obtained from the Graduate Studies Committee. Where a student fails a paper in Trinity Term of their third year, they will automatically be granted a three term deferral of Transfer of Status to permit time to take the re-sit. If a student fails any paper on the second attempt they will be withdrawn from the Register of Graduate Students.

3. Transfer to MLitt (or MSc by Research) or DPhil status

Candidates will normally be expected to achieve Transfer of Status in their third or fourth term after admission (or in their ninth term after admission for part-time students). Applications should be submitted to the Graduate Studies Coordinator and will comprise the following:

- (a) a completed Transfer of Status application form and appointment of assessors form; and
- (b) a provisional thesis title and a short outline statement of the proposed research topic, which should include sources and methods to be used; and

(c) a piece of written work relevant to the thesis of between 5,000 and 7,000 words.

To successfully achieve Transfer of Status, students must also have satisfactorily passed the Qualifying Examination. In cases where a student is required to re-sit a paper, a deferral of Transfer of Status will granted automatically as set out in section 2 above.

The Graduate Studies Committee will appoint two assessors who will read the work, interview the student and submit a recommendation to the committee in a written report. The committee will then decide whether Transfer of Status will be approved.

A student whose first application for Transfer of Status is not approved (including where the outcome is a recommendation to transfer to the MLitt or the MSc by Research) is permitted to make one further application and will be granted an extension of one term (or two terms for part-time students) to Probationer Research Student status if necessary. If after a second attempt, the Graduate Studies Committee can neither approve transfer to the DPhil or to the MLitt, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

4. Confirmation of DPhil status

Students who were initially admitted to the status of a Probationer Research Student must achieve Confirmation of Status not later than their ninth term or normally earlier than their sixth term (or not later than the eighteenth term or normally earlier than the twelfth term for part-time students). Students admitted directly to DPhil status having completed the full-time MPhil in Economics must achieve Confirmation of Status by the end of their eleventh term (sixteenth term for part-time students) as a graduate student, inclusive of the time spent on the MPhil in Economics.

Applications should be submitted to the Graduate Studies Coordinator and will comprise the following:

- (a) a completed Confirmation of Status application form and appointment of assessor form; and
- (b) a comprehensive outline of the treatment of the thesis topic including details of progress made and an indication of the anticipated timetable for submission; and
- (c) two draft chapters intended to form part of the final thesis.

Candidates applying for Confirmation of Status shall also present their preliminary results of their research at a departmental seminar or workshop as part of the confirmation process, under arrangements to be approved by the Director of Graduate Studies

The Graduate Studies Committee will appoint an assessor who will read the work, interview the student, and submit a written report to the committee. The committee will then decide whether Confirmation of Status will be approved.

A student whose first application for Confirmation of Status is not approved is permitted to make one further application, normally within one term (two terms for part-time students) of the original application, and will granted an extension of one term (two terms for part-time students) if necessary. For the second attempt, the Graduate Studies Committee will appoint two assessors who will read the work, interview the student, and submit a written

report to the committee. If after the second attempt the Graduate Studies Committee can neither approve the application nor approve transfer to the MLitt or MSc by Research, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

5. Theses

DPhil theses which exceed 100,000 words, MLitt theses which exceed 50,000 words and MSc by Research theses which exceed 25,000 words (each excluding the bibliography) are liable to be rejected unless students have, with the support of their supervisors, been granted permission to exceed the word limit by the Graduate Studies Committee. These figures are *maxima* and students are advised that many successful theses have been significantly shorter.

Integrated thesis format

A DPhil thesis may be accepted for examination if it consists of a minimum of three papers of publishable quality, framed by an introduction, a literature survey (either written as a stand-alone chapter or divided among the constituent chapters), and a conclusion. Such a body of work shall be deemed acceptable provided it represents a coherent and focused body of work. A minimum of one paper must be authored solely by the candidate. Any co-authored papers must include a statement indicating the candidate's contribution to the paper. Where the co-author is another student at the University who also intends to include the paper in their thesis, permission to include the paper must be sought from the Director of Graduate Studies prior to applying for appointment of examiners. Current word limits and conditions remain in place.'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of part-time variant of the DPhil in Economics.

Previously the regulations for Research Degrees in Economics have been in the 'Research Degreed in Economics, Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development' section of the regulations (http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rdie-spaisandintedeve/). The introduction of the part-time variant provided an opportunity to separate out Economics into its' own set of regulations, to make a number of presentational changes, and to make housekeeping changes to ensure the regulations are in line with the general PGR regulations.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC on 24/02/16 and by Education Committee on 19/05/17

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in Law

Brief note about nature of change: introduction of part-time variant of DPhil in Law

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rdegrinlaw/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.4 as follows:
 - '2. Special provisions for part-time D.Phil. Criminology students [For students starting from MT 2017: and part-time D.Phil. Socio-Legal Studies]'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
 - '(i) Candidates are required to meet the following attendance requirements for their period of part-time study: attendance for a minimum of 30 days of university-based work each year, normally coinciding with the full terms of the academic year, to be arranged with the agreement of their supervisor, for the period that their names remain on the Register of Graduate Students unless individually dispensed by the Graduate Studies Committee on the Board of the Faculty of Law. During a candidate's probationary period the attendance arrangements must take account of relevant induction and training events scheduled by the Law Faculty, or the Centres for Criminology [For students starting from MT 2017: and the Centre for or Socio-Legal Studies].'

3. Amend citation reference 1.16 as follows:

'(v) Subject to the general time-limit in sub-paragraph (vi) below, the Graduate Studies Committee, having consulted with the supervisor, may, for good cause, allow the Qualifying Test to be deferred. Applications for deferral must be made through the Faculty of Law Graduate Studies Office (or, for students registered for the D.Phil. in Criminology, to the Graduate Studies Administrator within the Centre for Criminology) in time to allow the Graduate Studies Committee to consider the matter in the second week of the candidate's third term. For candidates enrolled on the <u>a part-time D.Phil.-in Criminology [For students starting from MT 2017: or the part-time D.Phil in Socio-Legal Studies]</u>, applications for deferral must be made in time to allow the Graduate Studies Committee to consider the matter in the second week of the candidate's sixth term.'

4. Amend citation reference 1.17 as follows:

'(vi) In no case may the materials for the Qualifying Test be submitted or resubmitted after the end of the fourth term from the admission of the student to the doctoral or M.Litt. programmes. A student will in any case cease to hold PRS status if he or she does not gain admission to another status within four terms of admission as a full-time student. In the case of candidates enrolled on the a part-time D.Phil. in Criminology [For students starting from MT 2017: or the part-time DPhil in Socio-Legal Studies], materials for the Qualifying Test may not be submitted or resubmitted after the end of the eighth term from the admission of the student to the doctoral programme.'

5. Amend citation reference 1.25 as follows:

'(vii) Where the assessors have recommended resubmission, the candidate should normally resubmit at any time before the end of the subsequent term following the original submission. On resubmission the assessors may recommend (a) that the candidate be granted the transfer requested or (b) that the candidate be refused permission to transfer. In the case of a Probationary Research Student the effect of the latter recommendation is to entitle the candidate to apply for transfer to the M.St. in Legal Research under the appropriate regulation, with effect retrospective to the original registration as a Probationary Research Student. Such applications will be considered by the Graduate Studies Committee. For candidates enrolled on the a part-time D.Phil.-in Criminology [For students starting from MT 2017: or the part-time DPhil in Socio-Legal Studies], the candidate should normally resubmit at any time before the end of the second term following the original submission.'

6. Amend citation reference 1.28 as follows:

'(i) Applications for confirmation of status shall normally be made not earlier than the sixth term, and confirmation of status must normally be completed no later than three terms after the Qualifying Test. Candidates enrolled on the <u>a_part-time D.Phil.</u> in Criminology [For students starting from MT 2017: or the part-time DPhil in Socio-Legal Studies] shall normally apply for confirmation of status not earlier than the twelfth term following their admission, and confirmation of status must normally

be completed not later than six terms after the Qualifying Test.'

7. Amend citation reference 1.31 as follows:

'(iv) The documents described above under (ii) and (iii) shall be considered by two assessors, appointed by the Graduate Studies Committee, one of whom shall, wherever practicable, be one of those who acted at the time of the candidate's transfer to D.Phil. status. The assessors shall interview the candidate and submit a joint written report to the Graduate Studies Committee, normally within one month of receiving the application. The report shall include a recommendation as to whether the application should be approved. The faculty may grant the application or refer it back for resubmission. Only one resubmission for confirmation may be submitted, and no such resubmission will normally be permitted after the end of the candidate's ninth term. For candidates enrolled in the a part-time D.Phil. in Criminology [For students starting from MT 2017: or the part-time DPhil in Socio-Legal Studies], resubmission will not normally be permitted after the end of the candidate's eighteenth term.'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of part-time variant of DPhil in Law

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC on 08/11/17 and by Education Committee on 08/11/17

Name of Regulation

Regulations Concerning the Status of Graduate Taught Students

Brief note about nature of change: change to maximum time and suspensions for SBS PGDips

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rctsogradtaugstud/

Effective date

2017-18, for students starting the programme from 01.01.18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.62 as follows:
 - 'Postgraduate Diplomas (12-14 months) at the Saïd Business School'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.64 as follows:
 - '14 24 months'
- 3. Amend citation reference 1.66 as follows:
 - 'Postgraduate Diplomas (24-26 months) at the Saïd Business School'
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.67 as follows:
 - '24 48 months'

5. Amend citation reference 1.69 as follows:

'12 24 months'

Explanatory Notes

Change to the maximum time permitted and the maximum suspensions permitted for PGDip programmes in the Saïd Business School.

Division SSD/2/2/4 **Social Sciences Divisional Board** Approved by TAC on 24/05/17 and by Education Committee on 26/05/17 Name of Regulation General Regulations for the Degree of Master of Science by Coursework Brief note about nature of change: introduction of new programme Location of change In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/grftdomosciebycour/ Effective date With effect from MT 2018 Detail of change 1. After citation reference 1.64 insert as follows: 'Educational Assessment Social Sciences' **Explanatory Notes**

Introduction of new programme – MSc Educational Assessment

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of TAC on 02/06/17 and by Education Committee on 05/07/17

Title of Programme

MSc Applied Linguistics and Second Language Acquisition

Brief note about nature of change: change to number of taught modules and removal of part-time

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcialasecolangacqu/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.2 as follows:
 - '2. The course shall consist of eight six taught modules and a dissertation.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.3 as follows:
 - '3. An electronic copy of each of the four three Michaelmas Term assignments must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Department of Education's Higher Degrees WeblLearn site no later than noon on the Friday of Week 0 Hilary Term, and an electronic copy of each of the four three Hilary Term assignments must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Department of Education's Higher Degrees WeblLearn site no later than noon on the Friday of Week 0 of Trinity Term. Part-time students must submit assignments for two modules on each of these occasions over a period of two years.'

- 3. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
 - '5. Two soft bound, word processed or printed copies of the dissertation must be delivered to the Chair of the Examiners, M.Sc. in Applied Linguistics and Second Language Acquisition, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, OX2 6PY not later than noon on the last Friday of August of the year in which the final Module examination has been taken. These copies should be anonymous except for the candidate number and must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Candidates will also be required to submit aAn electronic copy of the dissertation must be uploaded to the Department of Education's Higher <u>Degrees WeblLearn site</u> by noon on the <u>last Friday of August of the year in which</u> 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 will also be required to submit a hardbound copy of the dissertation to the Department of Education no later than one week after submission of the electronic copy. The hardbound copy of the dissertation of each candidate who passes the examination shall be retained by the department for deposit in the departmental library. same day and to submit a hardbound copy of the dissertation to the Department of Education no later than one week after submission of the softbound copies to the Examination Schools. The hard bound copy of the dissertation of each candidate who passes the examination shall be retained by the department for deposit in the departmental library.'

Explanatory Notes

The changes are to reduce the number of taught modules from 8 to 6, bringing requirements more in line with other MSc programmes in the department, and to remove the provision for students to take the programme on a part-time basis.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by TAC on 24/05/17 and by Education Committee on 26/05/17

Title of Programme

MSc Educational Assessment (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: introduction of new programme

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination in 2019-20

Detail of change

Insert text as follows:

- '1. Candidates must follow for six terms a course of instruction specializing in Educational Assessment. This course is available on a part-time basis only.
 - The examination shall consist of three core papers, one option paper, and a dissertation. Candidates will be informed of the available options by Friday of 0th week of Michaelmas Term in the year they start their course.
 - 3. Papers are normally assessed by one or more coursework assignments totaling no more than 4,500 words (inclusive of footnotes but excluding bibliography and appendices). The details of the assessment requirements for each paper will be provided in the Course Handbook. All such assignments must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Department of Education's Higher Degrees WebLearn site by the times and dates specified in the course handbook at the start of the course. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.

- 4. Candidates are required to submit a dissertation of 15,000 20,000 words (inclusive of footnotes/endnotes but excluding appendices and references or bibliography), the title to be selected in consultation with the supervisor, on a topic relevant to 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.
- 5. The dissertation must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Department for Education's Higher Degrees WebLearn site not later than noon on the second Friday in August in the final year of the course. Copies should be anonymous except for the candidate number, and accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Candidates are also required to submit a hardbound copy of the dissertation to the Department of Education no later than the week after submission the electronic copy. The hard bound copy of each candidate who passes the examination shall be retained by the Department for deposit in the departmental library.
- 6. If a candidate receives a failing mark for any of the summative assessments, they may resubmit the assessment on one further occasion normally 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 of the core papers or the option paper at the first attempt cannot normally be awarded more than 50 at resubmission. Second attempts at dissertations will not be capped unless provided for under General Regulations.
- 7. Candidates may also be required to attend an oral examination. The oral examination will normally be on the candidate's dissertation.
- 8. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of new part-time programme

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of TAC on 02/06/17

Title of Programme

MSc Latin American Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to assessment title

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcilatiamerstud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
 - '(b) Submit an extended essaydissertation, not exceeding 10,000 words, including footnotes and appendices. A draft title for the extended essay dissertation must be submitted for approval by the Latin American Centre Management Committee by 12:00 noon on the Friday of Week 2 of the Hilary Term preceding the written examination. Two typewritten copies of the extended essay dissertation must be delivered to the Examination Schools, addressed to the Chair of Examiners for the M.Sc in Latin American Studies, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by 12:00 noon on the Monday of Week 5 of Trinity Term in the calendar year in which the examination is taken.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:
 - '(c) Candidates may also be required to present themselves for an oral examination if requested to do so by the examiners. The oral examination may focus on the

candidate's examination papers, extended essaydissertation, or both.'

- **3.** Amend citation reference 1.8 as follows:
 - '3. Candidates shall be deemed to have passed the examination if they have passed all examination papers and the extended essaydissertation.'
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:
 - '4. Candidates must achieve marks of 50 or above in all four components to pass the examination. Candidates who achieve marks below 50 in any component will be permitted to retake the paper/resubmit the extended essay dissertation on one further occasion only, in Trinity term one year after the first attempt.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to title of assessment from 'extended essay' to 'dissertation'

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by TAC on 09/10/17 and by Education Committee on 30/11/17

Title of Programme

MSc Russian and East European Studies

Brief note about nature of change: clarification of assessment submission

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbciraeasteurostud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.1 as follows:
 - 1. Each candidate will be required to follow a course of instruction for three terms and to present himself or herself for examination in the three compulsory papers in Week Eight of Trinity Term, as well as to present a thesis for examination. In addition, each candidate will be required to participate in training in methodology (quantitative and qualitative) and research skills related to Russian and East European Studies and to have achieved pass marks for the assessed components, as specified in the Notes of Guidance of the year of matriculation of the candidate. Two printed copies of each of the written items required for the methodology and research skills assessment must be submitted to the Examination Schools, addressed to the Chair of Examiners for the MSc in Russian and East European Studies, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford at the times and days specified in the Notes of Guidance. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work. Two copies of a thesis should be delivered to the Chair of Examiners for the M.Sc. in Russian and East European

Studies, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon on the Friday of the sixth week of Trinity Term in the calendar year in which the examination is taken.'

Explanatory Notes

No issues of vested interest – clarification of form of submission of work

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of TAC on 02/06/17 and by Education Committee on 08/11/17

Title of Programme

MSc Sociology (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: introduction of part-time variant

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

Insert new text as follows:

'Master of Science by Coursework in Sociology (Part-time)

Every candidate must follow, for at least six terms, a course of instruction in Sociology.

The examination will be in five parts, split over two years as follows:

- First year
 - A. A compulsory paper in Methods of Social Research.
 - **B. One option paper.** This will be from a list published annually by Friday of the third week of Michaelmas Full Term in the Department of Sociology.
- Second Year
 - o C. A compulsory paper in Sociological Analysis.
 - D. A second option paper. This will be from a list published annually by Friday of the third week of Michaelmas Full Term in the Department of Sociology.

E. A thesis of not more than 10,000 words on a topic within the subject of the course to be specified jointly by supervisor and student. Candidates are warned that they should avoid repetition in their theses of material used in their option papers and that substantial repetition may be penalised. Two typewritten copies of the thesis must be delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon of the weekday on or nearest to 1 September of the second year. Successful candidates will be required to deposit a copy of their thesis in the Department of Sociology.

The examiners may examine any candidate viva voce.

The examiners may award a Distinction for excellence in the whole examination on the basis of the material submitted to them.'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of part-time variant of the MSc in Sociology

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on 24/11/17

Title of Programme

MSc Sociology

Brief note about nature of change: minor correction to text

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcourinsoci/administratorview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:

'C. Two optional papers. These will be from a list published annually by Friday of the third week of Michaelmas Full Term in the Department of Sociology.'

Explanatory Notes

Minor correction to text – 'optional' to 'option' papers. No issues of vested interests.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of TAC on 02/06/17

Title of Programme

MPhil Latin American Studies

Brief note about nature of change: addition of option paper in the second year

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopilatiamerstud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.4 as follows:
 - '(a) Follow for three terms a course of instruction in the M.Sc in Latin American Studies with the exception of the extended essaydissertation. Candidates will present three qualifying examinations.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.15 as follows:
 - '(b) Take another two additional examination papers from the list;—or by agreement with the Latin American Centre Director of Graduate Studies and the relevant department, take one of these may be a methodology or other paper from an appropriate M.Phil. elsewhere in the University of Oxford.'
- 3. Amend citation reference 1.18 as follows:
 - '9. Candidates who fail the one or both second year examination papers or who fail the thesis shall be deemed to have failed the examination. Such candidates will be

permitted to resubmit the thesis or retake the <u>relevant</u> examination paper(<u>s</u>) on one (but not more than one) subsequent occasion, in Trinity Term, one year after the initial attempt. Such candidates must pass the thesis or <u>relevant</u> examination paper(<u>s</u>) in order to pass the examination.'

4. Delete citation reference 1.19 as follows:

'10. Candidates who fail both the thesis and the examination paper shall be deemed to have failed the examination. Such candidates will be permitted to retake the examination and resubmit the thesis on one (but not more than one) subsequent occasion, in Trinity Term, one year after the initial attempt. Such candidates must pass both the thesis and the examination paper in order to pass the examination.'

5. Amend citation reference 1.20 as follows:

'<u>104</u>. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to introduce a second option papers in the second year of the programme, and changes to the title of assessment in the related MSc programme from 'extended essay' to 'dissertation'.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by TAC on 09/10/17 and by Education Committee on 30/11/17

Title of Programme

MPhil Russian and East European Studies

Brief note about nature of change: clarification of assessment submission

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopiraeasteurostud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first (qualifying) examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:

'Methods Requirement. Each candidate will be required to participate in training in methodology (quantitative and qualitative) and research skills related to Russian and East European Studies and to have achieved pass marks for the assessed components, as specified in the Notes of Guidance of the year of Matriculation of the Candidates. Two printed copies of each of the written items required for the methods requirement must be submitted to the Examination Schools, addressed to the Chair of Examiners for the MSc in Russian and East European Studies, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford at the times and days specified in the Notes of Guidance. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work.'

Explanatory Notes

No issues of vested interest – clarification of form of submission of work

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC on 08/11/17 and by Education Committee on 08/11/17

Title of Programme

Executive Master of Business Administration (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: change to admission route from PGDips

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/emofbusiadmi/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination in 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.38 as follows:
 - '7. The EMBA Committee shall have the discretion to permit any candidate to the part-time MBA to be exempted from up to four courses providing that the Committee is satisfied that such a candidate has completed equivalent study of an appropriate standard, and has passed the assessment associated with that equivalent study, on either the Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy, the Postgraduate Diploma in Global Business, the Postgraduate Diploma in Organisational Leadership, or the Postgraduate Diploma in Strategy and Innovation (previously the Postgraduate Diploma in Advanced Strategy) no more than five years before initial registration for the part-time MBA. Application for exemptions will only be permitted until 31st December 2017, after which candidates on any Postgraduate Diploma may only transfer onto the part-time MBA under clause 8 below.'
- 2. Delete citation reference 1.39 as follows:

- '8. The EMBA Committee shall have the discretion to permit any candidate to transfer onto the part-time MBA from either the Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy, the Postgraduate Diploma in Global Business, the Postgraduate Diploma in Organisational Leadership, or the Postgraduate Diploma in Strategy and Innovation, providing that the Committee is satisfied that such a candidate has completed equivalent study of an appropriate standard on the four courses on the respective Postgraduate Diploma, and has passed the assessment associated with these four courses.'
- Amend citation reference 1.40 as follows:
 - '98. With the approval of the Director of the part-time MBA, a candidate may substitute core courses or electives on the part-time MBA with core courses from the Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy, 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 part-time MBA.'
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.41 as follows:
 - '<u>110</u>. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination to candidates for the Degree.'
- 5. Amend citation reference 1.42 as follows:
 - '<u>124</u>. In exceptional circumstances, a candidate wishing to take an examination later than the one to which he or she has been admitted may do so by application to the Chair of Examiners.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to re-establish the admission route rather than programme transfer from the PGDip programmes. This allows students completing the restructured PGDips at the end of 2018 to receive the PGDip and the EMBA.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC on 08/11/17 and by Education Committee on 08/11/17

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: change to programme length

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/pdifs-p-time/studentview/ as amended by the Gazette of 18/09/17

Effective date

2017-18, for students starting the programme from 01.01.18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
 - '5. If, for good cause, a student is temporarily unable to carry out their studies, the Diploma Programme Director(s) concerned may grant him or her a request for a temporary suspension of status, for not less than three one and not more than twelve months at any one time. Applications for suspension of status should be made to the Diploma Programme Director(s) concerned, 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 Diploma Programme Director.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.21 as follows:
 - '1. Candidates must follow a course of instruction in Financial Strategy for at least twelve months and not more than fourteen twenty-four months. Candidates must complete:'

Explanatory Notes

Change to programme length to allow for re-sits and minor housekeeping changes.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC on 08/11/17 and by Education Committee on 08/11/17

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Global Business (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: change to programme length

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/pdigb-p-time/studentview/ as amended by the Gazette of 18/09/17

Effective date

2017-18, for students starting the programme from 01.01.18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
 - '5. If, for good cause, a student is temporarily unable to carry out their studies, the Diploma Programme Director(s) concerned may grant him or her a request for a temporary suspension of status, for not less than three one and not more than twelve months at any one time. Applications for suspension of status should be made to the Diploma Programme Director(s) concerned, 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 Diploma Programme Director.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:
 - '1. Candidates must follow for at least twelve months and not more than fourteen twenty-four months a course of instruction in Global Business. Candidates must complete:'

Explanatory Notes

Change to programme length to allow for re-sits and minor housekeeping changes.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC on 08/11/17 and by Education Committee on 08/11/17

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Organisational Leadership (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: change to programme length

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/pdiol-p-time/studentview/ as amended by the Gazette of 18/09/17

Effective date

2017-18, for students starting the programme from 01.01.18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
 - '5. If, for good cause, a student is temporarily unable to carry out their studies, the Diploma Programme Director(s) concerned may grant him or her a request for a temporary suspension of status, for not less than three one and not more than twelve months at any one time. Applications for suspension of status should be made to the Diploma Programme Director(s) concerned, 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 Diploma Programme Director.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.18 as follows:
 - '1. Candidates must follow a course of instruction in Organisational Leadership for at least twelve months and not more than fourteen twenty-four months. Candidates must complete:'

Explanatory Notes

Change to programme length to allow for re-sits and minor housekeeping changes.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC on 08/11/17 and by Education Committee on 08/11/17

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Strategy and Innovation (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: change to programme length

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/pdisai-p-time/studentview/ as amended by the Gazette of 18/09/17

Effective date

2017-18, for students starting the programme from 01.01.18

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
 - '5. If, for good cause, a student is temporarily unable to carry out their studies, the Diploma Programme Director(s) concerned may grant him or her a request for a temporary suspension of status, for not less than three one and not more than twelve months at any one time. Applications for suspension of status should be made to the Diploma Programme Director(s) concerned, c/o the relevant Graduate Studies Assistant; and will require additional approval from the Director of Graduate Studies. The Programme Director shall grant no more than twelve months of suspension in this way to students following the twelve month version of the programme, and no more than twenty-four months of suspension for students following the twenty-four month version of the programme. No student may be granted more than twelve months' suspension of status in this way by the Diploma Director.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:
 - '1. Candidates must follow a course of instruction in Strategy and Innovation for

either for at least twelve months and not more than fourteen twenty-four months, or for at least twenty-four months and not more than twenty-six forty-eight months.

Candidates must complete:

Explanatory Notes

Change to programme length to allow for re-sits and minor housekeeping changes.

SSD/2/2/4

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of TAC on 7 December 2017

Title of Programme

MSc Global Governance and Diplomacy

Brief note about nature of change: changes to create a single combined foundation paper and to remove reference to the award of a distinction.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbciggoveanddipl/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.2 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '(i) One of two A foundation papers paper in Global Governance and Diplomacy. from the following list as detailed in the Schedule:'
- 2. Delete citation 1.3:
- '(a) Global Governance'
- 3. Delete citation 1.4:
- '(b) International Diplomacy'
- 4. Amend citation 1.5 as follows (deleted text struck through):
- '(ii) A mandatory paper in Research Methods as detailed in the Schedule.'

- 5. Delete citation 1.10:
- '4. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'
- 6. Amend citation 1.11 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '(a) Global Governance and Diplomacy:
 - (1) the sources, mechanisms, processes and practices of global governance at the subnational, national, international, and transnational levels: at the subnational, national, and transnational levels, the focus is on globalisation; at the international, transnational and supranational levels, the focus is on regional integration; at the level of inter-state governance, the focus is on international organisations, international regimes, and multilateralism.
 - (2) <u>substantive knowledge and theoretical background concerning institutions and processes of international diplomacy, including key themes of diplomatic thought, paradigms of international negotiation, ethical boundaries of diplomatic engagement, and transformative implications of digital technologies.'</u>

7. Delete citation 1.12:

'(b) International Diplomacy: substantive knowledge and theoretical background concerning the institutions and processes of international diplomacy. The course reviews important themes of diplomatic thought and discusses their relevance for the current practice of diplomacy; examines the legal, organisational, communicational and cognitive underpinnings of diplomatic practice; studies processes and mechanisms of international negotiation, mediation, and public diplomacy; and focuses on how diplomacy is conducted in international and regional bodies;'

8. Amend citation 1.13 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

'(e) (b) Research Methods: common research methods in the social sciences including but not limited to the topics of concept formation, causal analysis, single and comparative case study methods, case selection, qualitative interviewing, historical and ethnographic methods, genealogy, and statistical approaches and instruments.'

Explanatory Notes

- 1. Change to merge the two foundation papers into a single combined paper.
- 2. Removal of reference to award of a distinction due to the introduction of merit awards from 2018-19.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by TAC on 09/10/17 and by Education Committee on 30/11/17

Title of Programme

MPhil Russian and East European Studies

Brief note about nature of change: correction to notice published on 7 December 2017

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopiraeasteurostud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first (qualifying) examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:

'Methods Requirement. Each candidate will be required to participate in training in methodology (quantitative and qualitative) and research skills related to Russian and East European Studies and to have achieved pass marks for the assessed components, as specified in the Notes of Guidance of the year of Matriculation of the Candidates. Two printed copies of each of the written items required for the methods requirement must be submitted to the Examination Schools, addressed to the Chair of Examiners for the MScMPhil in Russian and East European Studies, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford at the times and days specified in the Notes of Guidance. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work.'

Explanatory Notes

Correction to Gazette published on 7 December 2017.

SSD/2/2/4

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 17/11/17 and by Education Committee on 06/02/18

Title of Programme

MSc African Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to 1+1 MBA bridging programme

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcinafristud/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for students who started in MT 2017

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.15-1.19 as follows:

'Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

(i) Attendance of one of the summer elective programmes offered for the Master of
Business Administration to be published by the MBA Director before the first
Monday of the preceding term. Candidates would be required to undertake all
assessments and receive feedback, but would not obtain credit towards the MBA.
Candidates are not permitted to subsequently undertake the same elective as part

of the MBA programme the following year.

(ii) A formatively assessed assignment of no more than 5,000 up to 3,000 words (including all prefatory matter and appendices) supervised by the Saïd Business School academic advisor, which will relate the Master's degree learning to an appropriate area of the MBA programme. Candidates would also be required to present a work plan related to this assignment to the 1+1 programme class.

(iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.

Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three-month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

- (i) Normally two meetings during the bridging programme with the senior advisor appointed by the Saïd Business School at the start of the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme.
- (ii) A formatively assessed Integrative Development Plan of up to 3,000 words. Candidates would be required to critically reflect on their learning from the Masters programme and relate this both to their forthcoming MBA programme as well as to their career goals. The meetings with the advisor will frame the design, delivery and discussion of the plan.
- (iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to the bridging programme for 1+1 MBA students.

Vested interests – the affected students on course were consulted and were content with the changes to the bridging programme.

SSD/2/2/4

1

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 17/11/17 and by Education Committee on 06/02/18

Title of Programme

MSc Criminology and Criminal Justice

Brief note about nature of change: change to 1+1 MBA bridging programme

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcicandcrimjust/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for students who started in MT 2017

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.50-1.54 as follows:

'Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

(i) Attendance of one of the summer elective programmes offered for the Master of
Business Administration to be published by the MBA Director before the first
Monday of the preceding term. Candidates would be required to undertake all
assessments and receive feedback, but would not obtain credit towards the MBA.
Candidates are not permitted to subsequently undertake the same elective as part

of the MBA programme the following year.

(ii) A formatively assessed assignment of no more than 5,000 up to 3,000 words (including all prefatory matter and appendices) supervised by the Saïd Business School academic advisor, which will relate the Master's degree learning to an appropriate area of the MBA programme. Candidates would also be required to present a work plan related to this assignment to the 1+1 programme class.

(iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.

Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three-month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

- (i) Normally two meetings during the bridging programme with the senior advisor appointed by the Saïd Business School at the start of the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme.
- (ii) A formatively assessed Integrative Development Plan of up to 3,000 words. Candidates would be required to critically reflect on their learning from the Masters programme and relate this both to their forthcoming MBA programme as well as to their career goals. The meetings with the advisor will frame the design, delivery and discussion of the plan.
- (iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to the bridging programme for 1+1 MBA students.

Vested interests – the affected students on course were consulted and were content with the changes to the bridging programme.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 17/11/17 and by Education Committee on 06/02/18

Title of Programme

MSc Latin American Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to 1+1 MBA bridging programme

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcilatiamerstud/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for students who started in MT 2017

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.12-1.16 as follows:

'Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

(i) Attendance of one of the summer elective programmes offered for the Master of
Business Administration to be published by the MBA Director before the first
Monday of the preceding term. Candidates would be required to undertake all
assessments and receive feedback, but would not obtain credit towards the MBA.
Candidates are not permitted to subsequently undertake the same elective as part

of the MBA programme the following year.

(ii) A formatively assessed assignment of no more than 5,000 up to 3,000 words (including all prefatory matter and appendices) supervised by the Saïd Business School academic advisor, which will relate the Master's degree learning to an appropriate area of the MBA programme. Candidates would also be required to present a work plan related to this assignment to the 1+1 programme class.

(iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.

Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three-month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

- (i) Normally two meetings during the bridging programme with the senior advisor appointed by the Saïd Business School at the start of the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme.
- (ii) A formatively assessed Integrative Development Plan of up to 3,000 words. Candidates would be required to critically reflect on their learning from the Masters programme and relate this both to their forthcoming MBA programme as well as to their career goals. The meetings with the advisor will frame the design, delivery and discussion of the plan.
- (iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to the bridging programme for 1+1 MBA students.

Vested interests – the affected students on course were consulted and were content with the changes to the bridging programme.

SSD/2/2/4

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 17/11/17 and by Education Committee on 06/02/18

Title of Programme

MSc Migration Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to 1+1 MBA bridging programme

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcinmigrstud/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for students who started in MT 2017

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.21-1.25 as follows:

'Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

(i) Attendance of one of the summer elective programmes offered for the Master of
Business Administration to be published by the MBA Director before the first
Monday of the preceding term. Candidates would be required to undertake all
assessments and receive feedback, but would not obtain credit towards the MBA.
Candidates are not permitted to subsequently undertake the same elective as part

of the MBA programme the following year.

(ii) A formatively assessed assignment of no more than 5,000 up to 3,000 words (including all prefatory matter and appendices) supervised by the Saïd Business School academic advisor, which will relate the Master's degree learning to an appropriate area of the MBA programme. Candidates would also be required to present a work plan related to this assignment to the 1+1 programme class.

(iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.

Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three-month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

- (i) Normally two meetings during the bridging programme with the senior advisor appointed by the Saïd Business School at the start of the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme.
- (ii) A formatively assessed Integrative Development Plan of up to 3,000 words. Candidates would be required to critically reflect on their learning from the Masters programme and relate this both to their forthcoming MBA programme as well as to their career goals. The meetings with the advisor will frame the design, delivery and discussion of the plan.
- (iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to the bridging programme for 1+1 MBA students.

Vested interests – the affected students on course were consulted and were content with the changes to the bridging programme.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 17/11/17 and by Education Committee on 06/02/18

Title of Programme

MSc Russian and East European Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to 1+1 MBA bridging programme

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbciraeasteurostud/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for students who started in MT 2017

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.9-1.13 as follows:

'Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

(i) Attendance of one of the summer elective programmes offered for the Master of
Business Administration to be published by the MBA Director before the first
Monday of the preceding term. Candidates would be required to undertake all
assessments and receive feedback, but would not obtain credit towards the MBA.
Candidates are not permitted to subsequently undertake the same elective as part

of the MBA programme the following year.

(ii) A formatively assessed assignment of no more than 5,000 up to 3,000 words (including all prefatory matter and appendices) supervised by the Saïd Business School academic advisor, which will relate the Master's degree learning to an appropriate area of the MBA programme. Candidates would also be required to present a work plan related to this assignment to the 1+1 programme class.

(iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.

Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three-month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

- (i) Normally two meetings during the bridging programme with the senior advisor appointed by the Saïd Business School at the start of the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme.
- (ii) A formatively assessed Integrative Development Plan of up to 3,000 words. Candidates would be required to critically reflect on their learning from the Masters programme and relate this both to their forthcoming MBA programme as well as to their career goals. The meetings with the advisor will frame the design, delivery and discussion of the plan.
- (iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to the bridging programme for 1+1 MBA students.

Vested interests – the affected students on course were consulted and were content with the changes to the bridging programme.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 17/11/17 and by Education Committee on 06/02/18

Title of Programme

MSc Social Science of the Internet (Full-time)

Brief note about nature of change: change to 1+1 MBA bridging programme

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcissoftheinte/administratorview/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for students who started in MT 2017

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.14-1.18 as follows:

'Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

(i) Attendance of one of the summer elective programmes offered for the Master of
Business Administration to be published by the MBA Director before the first
Monday of the preceding term. Candidates would be required to undertake all
assessments and receive feedback, but would not obtain credit towards the MBA.
Candidates are not permitted to subsequently undertake the same elective as part

of the MBA programme the following year.

(ii) A formatively assessed assignment of no more than 5,000 up to 3,000 words (including all prefatory matter and appendices) supervised by the Saïd Business School academic advisor, which will relate the Master's degree learning to an appropriate area of the MBA programme. Candidates would also be required to present a work plan related to this assignment to the 1+1 programme class.

(iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.

Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three-month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

- (i) Normally two meetings during the bridging programme with the senior advisor appointed by the Saïd Business School at the start of the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme.
- (ii) A formatively assessed Integrative Development Plan of up to 3,000 words. Candidates would be required to critically reflect on their learning from the Masters programme and relate this both to their forthcoming MBA programme as well as to their career goals. The meetings with the advisor will frame the design, delivery and discussion of the plan.
- (iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to the bridging programme for 1+1 MBA students.

Vested interests – the affected students on course were consulted and were content with the changes to the bridging programme.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 13/02/18

Title of Programme

Final Honour School Archaeology and Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: removal of option papers

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/hsoarchandanth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting FHS from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.10 as follows:

'An approved combination of three optional subjects, from the list of options below or any other option subject approved by the Standing Committee. To encourage a wide-ranging understanding of archaeology and anthropology, options shall be chosen in such a way that they constitute three independent, non-overlapping subjects. For example, because of potential overlap in subject matter, approval may not be given to candidates who wish to select from either two of papers (W), (R), or (G)The Late Bronze Age and Early Iron Age Aegean, The Greeks and the Mediterranean World c.950-500 BC or Art under the Roman Empire, AD 14-336, or both papers (K) The Emergence of Medieval Europe AD 400-900 and (I)Byzantium: the transition from Antiquity to the Middle Ages, AD 500-1100.'

- 2. Amend citation reference 1.44-1.77 as follows:
 - 'A. Anglo-Saxon Society and Economy in the Early Christian Period
 - B. Anthropology of Europe

- C. Archaeology and Geographical Information Systems
- D. Archaeology of Minoan Crete 3200 1000 BC
- E. Archaeology of Modern Human Origins
- F. Archaeology of Southern African Hunter-Gatherers
- G. Art under the Roman Empire, AD 14-336
- H. Biological Techniques in Environmental Archaeology
- L. Byzantium: the transition from Antiquity to the Middle Ages, AD 500-1100
- J. The emergence of Medieval Europe AD 400-900
- K. Evolution in Health and Medicine
- L. Farming and early states in Sub-Saharan Africa
- M. From hunting and gathering to states and empires in South-west Asia
- N. From the First Ceramics to the Terracotta Soldiers: The Archaeology of Early

China

- O. Gender theories and realities cross cultural perspectives
- P. Greek archaeology and art c.500-323 BC
- Q. Greeks and the Mediterranean World c.950-500 BC
- R. Hellenistic Archaeology, 330-30 BC
- S. Japanese society
- T. Landscape Archaeology
- U. Language and Anthropology
- V. The Late Bronze Age and Early Iron Age Aegean
- W. The Later Prehistory of Europe
- X. Lowland South America
- Y. Medical Anthropology: Sensory Experience, the Sentient Body and Therapeutics
- Z. Mediterranean Maritime Archaeology
- AA. Mesopotamia and Egypt from the emergence of complex society to c.2000 BC
- BB. Mesopotamia and Egypt 1000-500 BC
- CC. Physical Anthropology and Human Osteoarchaeology
- DD. Roman Archaeology: Cities and settlement under the Empire
- EE. Science-based methods in Archaeology
- FF. South Asia
- GG. Themes in African Anthropology
- HH. Understanding Museums and Collections'

Explanatory Notes

Removal of options no longer taught - no vested interests as changes are to keep list up-

to-date with current teaching.		
to-date with current teaching.		

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee by Chair's Action on 02/03/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Development Studies

Brief note about nature of change: changes to clarify requirements for qualifying test and final exam

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopindevestud/studentview/ as amended by Gazette of 12/09/17

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

Remove citation reference 1.1 – 1.35 and replace with the following:

- 1. The course shall be under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Department of International Development.
- 2. Candidates must follow for six terms courses of instruction as laid down for the M.Phil. in Development Studies by the Graduate Studies Committee.
- 3. Core Course in Development Studies Candidates must pursue a core course in development studies which is taught in the first year of the degree. The core course covers the following aspects: (i) ideas about development: social, political and development theory, and (ii) key themes in development such as agrarian change, urbanisation, social policy, sustainable development, states and governance, and technology and innovation.

- 4. Candidates will be admitted to take the examination as defined below in a specific year. In exceptional circumstances candidates may be allowed to take an examination later than the one to which they were admitted. Permission for this must be sought from the Proctors through the candidate's college.
- 5. The registration of candidates shall lapse from the Register of M.Phil. Students on the last day of Trinity Term of their second academic year.
- 6. First year examinations
- 6.1 Every candidate must pass a qualifying test consisting of the following components to be permitted to progress to the second year of the course. The test comprises the following:
- (a) two foundation papers to be taken at the start of the Trinity Term of the first year of study. Details of the foundations papers are set out below in section 6.2;
- (b) one written paper in Research Methods, to be taken at the end of the Trinity Term of the first year of study. Questions will be set on qualitative and quantitative methods in the social sciences;
- (c) One research design essay of 3,000-5,000 words. Candidates are required to submit the essay in Trinity Term of the first year of study. Candidates should upload the essay to the MPhil Development Studies WebLearn site by the time and date specified in the Course Handbook. The essay must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.
- (d) two core course essays. Candidates are required to submit these essays in the first year of the course at the times and date specified in the Course Handbook. Each essay should cover the topics of two components (one per essay) of the core course in Development Studies as described in section 3 above.
- 6.2. Candidates will select two foundation papers from the list set out below except that candidates with a non-economics background are required to include *Economics* as one of the two papers and candidates are not permitted, except with the permission of the Graduate Studies Committee, to offer a paper in the subject of their bachelor's degree.
- (a) History and Politics Topics may include the themes of state formation and development; encounters between different civilisations; colonialism, collaboration, and resistance; nationalism, decolonisation; class formation, gender relations, and the formation of political identities; politics and policy. Students will be expected to show knowledge of developments in countries from more than one of the following regions: Africa, Asia, and Latin America.
- (b) Economics The course focuses on the way economists think about development. Topics may include key concepts in economics (e.g. opportunity costs, the role of incentives) and applications to developing countries. The goal is to provide students with an understanding of economics as a discipline that speaks to other social sciences and that can help explain

some of the recurring patterns that we see in developing countries

- (c) Social Anthropology Topics may include the perspectives of anthropology upon social change, modernity, progress and commonwealth; personhood and well-being; social and personal agency; authority and responsibility in the field of productive activity; marriage, kinship, family and gender in theory and practice; technological innovations; development planning and identity struggles.
- 6.3. A candidate who fails to pass any of the components of the qualifying test will be permitted to retake/resubmit the failed assessment item(s) before the beginning of the first week of the next academic year.
- 6.4 The qualifying test marks awarded for the written paper in Research Methods, the research design essay, and the two core course essays will also contribute toward the final outcome of the degree.
- 7. Final year examinations
- 7.1. Every candidate must satisfy the examiners in following components:
- (a) A thesis of not more than 30,000 words (excluding bibliography but including footnotes and appendices) on a topic approved by the MPhil Teaching Committee, to which the Graduate Studies Committee delegates this function. The thesis must be on a topic in the general field of development studies. The topic of the thesis must be chosen in consultation with and with the approval of the candidate's supervisor. If a separate thesis supervisor is required, he or she must have agreed to undertake the supervision prior to the approval of the topic as specified above. The thesis must be delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford not later than the Friday of the first week of the Trinity Full Term in which the examination is to be taken.
- (b) Two written papers selected from a range of options papers. Details of the options papers available will be notified during the first year of the course. Candidates may include subjects offered in other relevant masters degrees in the University, subject to permission from the relevant Graduate Studies Committee and from the MPhil Teaching Committee. Applications to do this must normally be made by the first Friday of Trinity Term in the student's first year.
- 7.2. Failure in one or more components of the final year examination results in failure of the degree. Candidates may re-take the examination of the failed options paper(s) and/or resubmit the thesis in Trinity Term of the following academic year.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to:

i. Clarify the requirements for the qualifying test and final year exams, to reflect existing practice and ensure consistency between regulations, conventions,

handbook and prospectus

- ii. Remove admissions information
- iii. Add a course governance clause
- iv. Remove information more appropriately included in conventions
- v. Remove superfluous information not required in regulations
- vi. Group information regarding re-sits
- vii. Remove information regarding Distinctions, as this is covered by General Regulations
- viii. Re-order material to improve logical flow of regulations

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee by Chair's Action on 02/03/18

Title of Programme

Honour School of Human Sciences

Brief note about nature of change: change to deadline for dissertation titles

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/hsofhumascie/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting FHS from MT 2018

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.34 as follows:

'This should not be earlier than the first day of Trinity Full Term of the year before that in which the candidate is to be examined and not later than 12 midday on Friday of the fifth second week of the same term.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to deadline for submission of dissertation title and synopsis at request of JCC, to move away from deadline for extended essay in week 6.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 09/03/18 and by Education Committee on 12/03/18

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Organisational Leadership (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: correction to the order of the modules listed so the correct assessment arrangements apply

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/pdiol-p-time/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect for all students on course from MT 2017

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference. 1.7-1.11 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):
- '(iii) Leading Organisational Change The Strategic Leader;
- (iv) The Strategic Leader Leading Organisational Change.'

Explanatory Notes

Correction to the order of the listed modules to apply the correct assessment regime

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 15/03/18

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in the Oxford Internet Institute

Brief note about nature of change: introduction of MRes

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rdtoxfointeinst/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

Detail of change

Remove citation reference 1.1-1.45 and replace with the following:

1. Governance

The DPhil in Information, Communication and Social Sciences shall be under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Oxford Internet Institute.

2. Attendance requirements

The DPhil programme shall be offered on a full-time and part-time basis. Full-time students are required to meet the residence requirements set out in §6 of the General Regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy. Part-time students are required to meet the following attendance requirements for their period of part-time study: attendance for a minimum of 30 days of university-based work each year, normally coinciding with the full terms of the academic year, to be arranged with the agreement of their supervisor, for the period that their names remain on the Register of Graduate Students unless individually dispensed by the Graduate Studies Committee. During a student's probationary period the attendance arrangements must take account of relevant induction and training events

scheduled by the department.

3. Probationer Research Students

All students are normally admitted as Probationer Research Students.

Unless granted a dispensation by the Graduate Studies Committee, all Probationer Research Students shall during their first year (and second year in the case of part-time students) attend such lectures, seminars, and classes as their supervisor and/or the Graduate Studies Committee shall determine.

Students shall attend and satisfactorily complete with a mark of 50 or higher:

- (a) such courses or classes from the Institute's Research Methods Training Programme as directed by the Graduate Studies Committee;
- (b) the Institute's Social Dynamics of the Internet course.

4. Transfer to DPhil, MLitt or MSc by Research status

Candidates will normally be expected to achieve Transfer of Status in their third or fourth term after admission (or sixth to eighth term after admission for part-time students). Applications should be submitted to the Graduate Studies Coordinator and will comprise the following:

- (a) a completed Transfer of Status application form;
- (b) confirmation from the candidate's supervisor that such courses as the candidate has been required to undertake have been satisfactorily completed;
- (c) an outline of their research (one side of A4 paper);
- (d) a detailed research proposal of no more than 6,000 words. This should:
 - (i) draw upon relevant literature to discuss the background to the research, theoretical perspectives, and possible outcomes to the research;
 - (ii) state key research questions;
 - (iii) discuss the overall methodological approach, and specific strategies, to be employed in answering these research questions, paying particular attention to practical and ethical issues relevant to the research.
- (e) a preliminary timetable for the research;
- (f) a list of references;
- (g) an OII Training Needs Assessment Form.

To successfully achieve Transfer of Status, students must also have satisfactorily passed the relevant courses set out in 3 above. In cases where a student is required to re-sit a paper, a deferral of Transfer of Status for one or two terms as appropriate will be granted automatically.

The Graduate Studies Committee will appoint two assessors who will read the work, interview the student and submit a recommendation to the Committee in a written report. The Committee will decide whether to approve Transfer of Status.

A student whose first application for Transfer of Status is not approved (including where the outcome is a recommendation to transfer to the MLitt or MSc by Research) is permitted to make one further application and will be granted an extension of one term (or two terms for part-time students) to Probationer Research Student status if necessary. If after a second attempt, the Graduate Studies Committee can neither approve transfer to the DPhil or to the MLitt or to the MSc by Research, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

5. Confirmation of DPhil status

Students who were initially admitted to the status of a Probationer Research Student must achieve Confirmation of Status not later than their ninth term or normally earlier than their sixth term (or not later than the eighteenth term or normally earlier than the twelfth term for part-time students).

Applications should be submitted to the Graduate Studies Coordinator and will comprise the following:

- (a) a completed Confirmation of Status application form;
- (b) an abstract of the thesis (one side of A4 paper);
- (c) an outline structure of the thesis, consisting of chapter headings, and a brief statement of the intended content;
- (d) an outline timetable detailing what work has already been carried out and what activities are planned for the remaining stages;
- (e) two completed draft chapters intended to form part of the final thesis;
- (f) an OII Training Needs Assessment Form.

The Graduate Studies Committee will appoint two assessors who will read the work, interview the student and submit a recommendation to the Committee in a written report. The Committee will decide whether to approve Confirmation of Status.

A student whose first application for Confirmation of Status is not approved is permitted to make one further application, normally within one term (two terms for part-time students) of the original application, and will granted an extension of one term (two terms for part-time students) if necessary. If after the second attempt the Committee can neither approve the application nor approve transfer to the MLitt or the MSc by Research, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

6. Theses

The thesis must not exceed 100,000 words for the DPhil, 50,000 words for the MLitt, or 25,000 words for the MSc by Research, the limit to include abstract, all notes and appendices, but not the bibliography. Any thesis exceeding this limit is liable to be rejected

unless prior dispensation has been granted by the Graduate Studies Committee on the advice of the candidate's supervisor.

Integrated thesis format

Permission to submit an integrated thesis consisting of an introduction, literature survey, and conclusion and a combination of chapters including one or more published or publishable articles should be made with the support of the student's supervisor(s) to the relevant Doctoral Director prior to applying for either Transfer of Status or Confirmation of Status. Such a body of work must address an overarching research question and represent a coherent and focused body of research. If the Doctoral Director approves the request, the final decision will be made by the Graduate Studies Committee of the Oxford Internet Institute based on the recommendation of the assessors for these milestones.

A thesis submitted under this rubric may include co-authored articles. In the case of co-authored articles, students must submit to the Graduate Studies Committee a description of their contribution to the article and demonstrate that their work represents the majority contribution.

Students who wish to change back to a conventional thesis format are required to make this request in writing to the Graduate Studies Committee prior to applying for their next assessment milestone. Applications to change between an integrated thesis format and a conventional thesis format will normally not be considered for students who have already passed Confirmation of Status.

The standard word limit regulations apply for integrated theses.

Further guidance can be found in the relevant DPhil handbook.'

Explanatory Notes

- 1. Introduction of MRes
- 2. Reformatting regulations in divisional template

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of the Teaching Audit Committee on 27/10/16 and by Education Committee on 16/11/16

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in the Saïd Business School

Brief note about nature of change: correction to Gazette notice of 24/11/16

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/rdtsaidbusischo/

Effective date

For all students from MT2016

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.83 as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

"The D.Phil. Committee shall appoint two assessors who may be the same assessors as were chosen for the transfer of status, but assessors selected at this stage may not be chosen for the final viva voce. Assessors selected at this stage may also be chosen for the final viva voce. The assessors interview the student and submit a written confirmation report to the D.Phil. Committee with recommendations as to whether or not the student should be allowed to confirm D.Phil. status."

Explanatory Notes

This is to correct the effect from date on the Gazette notice of 24/11/16. The notice was submitted with an effective date for students starting from MT 2016, but was approved for all students on course from MT 2016.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC on 19/03/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Economics

Brief note about nature of change: change to option paper title

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mophilinecon/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.38 as follows:

'21. Theory Based Empirical Analysis Empirical Micro'

Explanatory Notes

The change is to the title of the option only, not the content, so there are no issues of vested interests.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of TAC on 20/02/18

Title of Programme

Honour School of Archaeology and Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: change of option title

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/hsoarchandanth/studentview/ as amended by Gazette of 22/02/18

Effective date

For students starting FHS from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. After citation reference 1.49, insert:

'Chinese Archaeology'

2. Delete citation reference 1.54 as follows:

'From the First Ceramics to the Terracotta Soldiers: The Archaeology of Early China'

Explanatory Notes

There are no issues of vested interests – the change is to the title only, not the content of the paper.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on 3 May 2018

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: introduction of article-based thesis route

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rdegrinarch/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for all students

Detail of change

Remove citation 1.1-1.8 and replace with the following:

"1. Governance

The DPhil in Archaeology, the DPhil in Archaeological Science and the DPhil in Classical Archaeology shall be under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Committee of the School of Archaeology.

2. Attendance requirements

The DPhil programmes shall be offered on a full-time basis. Full-time students are required to meet the residence requirements set out in §6 of the General Regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

3. Transfer to DPhil or MLitt status

Candidates will normally be expected to achieve Transfer of Status in their fourth term after admission. Applications should be submitted to the Archaeology Graduate Studies Committee by no later than 12 noon on Monday of Week 2 of their fourth term and will

comprise the following:

(a) a completed Transfer of Status application form;

In addition, two typewritten copies of:

- (b) a substantial piece of written work of between 10,000 and 12,000 words relevant to the proposed thesis;
- (c) a precise thesis title and research proposal;
- (d) an outline of the proposed chapter structure.

To successfully achieve Transfer of Status, students must also make a satisfactorily oral presentation of their work.

The Graduate Studies Committee will appoint two assessors who will read the work, interview the student and submit a recommendation to the Committee in a written report. The Committee will decide whether to approve Transfer of Status.

A student whose first application for Transfer of Status is not approved (including where the outcome is a recommendation to transfer to the MLitt) is permitted to make one further application and will be granted an extension of one term to Probationer Research Student status if necessary. If after a second attempt, the Graduate Studies Committee can neither approve transfer to the DPhil or to the MLitt, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

4. Confirmation of DPhil status

Students who were initially admitted to the status of a Probationer Research Student must normally achieve Confirmation of Status by the end of their seventh term.

Applications should be submitted to the Archaeology Graduate Studies Committee by no later than 12 noon on Monday of Week 2 of their seventh term and will comprise the following:

(a) a completed Confirmation of Status application form;

In addition, two typewritten copies of:

- (b) a research outline of approximately 1,000 words and a timetable for completion of the thesis;
- (c) a table of contents indicating how much of each section of the thesis has been completed to date;
- (d) a draft chapter or chapters of the thesis of no more than 10,000 words.

To successfully achieve Confirmation of Status, students must also make a satisfactorily oral presentation of their work.

The Graduate Studies Committee will appoint two assessors who will read the work, interview the student and submit a recommendation to the Committee in a written report.

The Committee will decide whether to approve Confirmation of Status.

A student whose first application for Confirmation of Status is not approved is permitted to make one further application, normally within one term of the original application, and will granted an extension of one term if necessary. If after the second attempt the Committee can neither approve the application nor approve transfer to the MLitt, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

5. Theses

The thesis must not exceed 80,000 words for the DPhil, or 50,000 words for the MLitt, the limit to include abstract, all notes and appendices, but not the bibliography. Any thesis exceeding this limit is liable to be rejected.

Article-based thesis route for the DPhil in Archaeological Science only

A thesis for the DPhil in Archaeological Science may be accepted for examination if it consists of a minimum of three papers of publishable quality, framed by an introduction, a literature survey, and a conclusion. Such a body of work shall be deemed acceptable provided it represents a coherent and focused body of work.

Candidates intending to submit an articles-based thesis should indicate this when applying for Transfer of Status. Candidates should normally submit a formal case, supported by their supervisor, to the Graduate Studies Committee between applying for Transfer and Confirmation of Status. If a candidate subsequently wishes to revert to a standard thesis format, they should apply with support of their supervisor, to the Graduate Studies Committee.

The thesis may include co-authored papers where the greater part of the work should be directly attributable to the candidate, and their supervisor and co-author(s) so certify. Statements outlining the student's contribution to each paper should be submitted with the applications for Transfer and Confirmation of Status.

The standard word limit regulations apply for the article-based thesis route.

Further guidance can be found in the DPhil student handbook."

Explanatory Notes

Changes to introduce the article-based thesis route. The regulations have also been translated into the new divisional template for research degrees.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 27/04/18

Title of Programme

MSc Education

Brief note about nature of change: removal of references to hard copy submissions

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcourineduc/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:
- '6. Two soft bound, word-processed or printed copies of the dissertation must be delivered to the Chair of Examiners, M.Sc. Education, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford An electronic copy of the dissertation must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Department of Education's Higher Degrees WebLearn site, not later than noon on the second Friday in August in the year in which the written examination is taken. For part-time students, this will be during the second year of the course. These copies This copy should be anonymous except for the candidate number, and accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Candidates are also required to upload an electronic copy of the dissertation by noon on the same day and to submit a hardbound copy of the work to the Department of Education no later than one week after submission of the soft bound copies electronic copy. The hard bound copy of the dissertation of each candidate who passes the examination shall be retained by the department for

deposit in the departmental library.'

2. Remove citation reference 1.9 as follows:

'9. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to require online submission of the dissertation and to remove reference of distinction (as will now be included in the general regulations).

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 02/03/18

Title of Programme

MSc Comparative Social Policy

Brief note about nature of change: minor amendment to text

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcicompsocipoli/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:

'C. One optional paper. This will be from the list of optional papers as specified for the M.Phil. in Comparative Social Policy. In exceptional circumstances and with the special permission of the Course Director, the optional paper may be from subjects outside this list.'

Explanatory Notes

Minor amendment to text

SSD/2/2/4

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 02/03/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Comparative Social Policy

Brief note about nature of change: change of assessment for option papers

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopicompsocipoli/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:
- '1. One further optional paper. This will be from a list published annually by Friday of the sixth week of Michaelmas Full Term in the Department of Social Policy and Intervention or, in exceptional circumstances and with the special permission of the Course Director, from subjects outside this list.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.15 as follows:

'Optional Papers'

3. Amend citation reference 1.16 as follows:

These will be from a list published annually by Friday of the sixth week of Michaelmas Full Term in the Department of Social Policy and Intervention. In exceptional circumstances and with the special permission of the Course Director, the optional paper may be from subjects outside this list. The option paper will be

assessed by a 4,000-5,000 word essay, to be submitted to the WebLearn site by noon on Monday of Week 10 of Hilary term. In the event of any candidate not reaching the pass mark set for the essay, one further attempt shall be permitted within the same examination year, normally at the end of the following term, though in the event of a successful resubmission only the bare pass mark shall be awarded.

Explanatory Notes

Change from unseen written examination to submitted essay for all option papers.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in Geography

Brief note about nature of change: change to requirements for article-based theses

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rdegringeog/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for all students

Detail of change

Delete citation reference 1.1-1.35 and replace with the following:

1. Governance

The DPhil in Geography and the Environment shall be under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Committee of the School of Geography and the Environment.

2. Attendance requirements

The DPhil programme shall be offered on a full-time and part-time basis. Full-time students are required to meet the residence requirements set out in §6 of the General Regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy. Part-time students are required to meet the following attendance requirements for their period of part-time study: attendance for a minimum of 30 days of university-based work each year, normally coinciding with the full terms of the academic year, to be arranged with the agreement of their supervisor, for the period that their names remain on the Register of Graduate Students unless individually dispensed by the Graduate Studies Committee. During a student's probationary period the

attendance arrangements must take account of relevant induction and training events scheduled by the department.

3. Transfer to DPhil, MLitt or MSc by Research status

Students will normally be expected to achieve Transfer of Status in their third term after admission (or sixth term after admission for part-time students).

Students applying for Transfer of Status should:

- (a) submit a report title and abstract (or no more than 300 words/one side of A4) to the Research Degrees Coordinator by Friday of eighth week of the first term (second term for part-time students);
- (b) make a Transfer of Status presentation of fifteen minutes (plus ten minutes of questions) in noughth week of their second term (fifth term for part time students);
- (c) submit a completed Transfer of Status application form and two copies (and one electronic copy) of a research proposal of no more than 7,500 words, including a thesis title, outline of research plans, a preliminary review of the literature, a preliminary review of methodology, progress to date, a timetable for completion, fieldwork design (if applicable), and bibliography to the Research Degrees Coordinator by Friday of eighth week of their second term (fifth term for part-time students).

The Graduate Studies Committee will appoint two assessors who will read the work, interview the student and submit a recommendation to the Committee in a written report. The Committee will decide whether to approve Transfer of Status.

A student whose first application for Transfer of Status is not approved (including where the outcome is a recommendation to transfer to the MLitt or MSc by Research) is permitted to make one further application and will be granted an extension of one term (or up to two terms for part-time students) to Probationer Research Student status if necessary. If after a second attempt, the Graduate Studies Committee can neither approve transfer to the DPhil or to the MLitt or to the MSc by Research, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

4. Confirmation of DPhil status

Students who were initially admitted to the status of a Probationer Research Student must achieve Confirmation of Status not later than their ninth term or normally earlier than their sixth term (or not later than the eighteenth term or normally earlier than the twelfth term for part-time students). Students admitted directly to DPhil status having completed a full-time MPhil in the School of Geography and the Environment must achieve Confirmation of Status by the end of their third term (sixth term for part-time students) as a graduate student, exclusive of the time spent on the Register of Students while undertaking the full-

time MPhil.

Applications for Confirmation of Status should be submitted to the Research Degrees Coordinator by eighth week of the student's ninth term (eighteenth term for part-time students) and will comprise the following:

(a) a completed Confirmation of Status application form;

In addition, two copies and an electronic copy of:

- (b) a report describing in approximately 3,000 words the aims and methods of the project, an outline of the proposed thesis including the topics to be covered in individual chapters, and a timetable for completion;
- (c) two substantive chapters of no more than 10,000 words each, or two papers for students submitting an article-based thesis.

The Graduate Studies Committee will appoint two assessors who will read the work, interview the student and submit a recommendation to the Committee in a written report. The Committee will decide whether to approve Confirmation of Status.

A student whose first application for Confirmation of Status is not approved is permitted to make one further application, normally within one term (two terms for part-time students) of the original application, and will granted an extension of one term (up to two terms for part-time students) if necessary. If after the second attempt the Committee can neither approve the application nor approve transfer to the MLitt or the MSc by Research, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

5. Theses

The thesis must not exceed 100,000 words for the DPhil, 50,000 words for the MLitt, or 40,000 words for the MSc by Research, the limit to include notes, glossary, appendices etc, but not tables, figures, and bibliography, unless for exceptional reason and on the recommendation of the student's supervisor the Graduate Studies Committee otherwise determines.

Students are required to include a complete set of all maps, diagrams, and other illustrations, bound into the copy of the thesis deposited in the Bodleian.

Article-based thesis

A DPhil thesis may be accepted for examination if comprised of a minimum of three academic papers submitted for publication in peer review journals. The papers do not have to be accepted or published. The papers must be accompanied by a framing document which will normally be 15,000 to 20,000 words and which comprises an Introduction, Literature Review and Conclusion. Current word limits and conditions remain in place.

A DPhil thesis submitted under this rubric may include joint publications. In such cases, a clear statement should be provided by the student to the examiners to confirm the student's substantive contribution to each of the publications. This statement must be supported with a contributors' agreement for each publication or letters from co-authors.

Students wishing to proceed in this manner should indicate their intention in their Transfer of Status report and must formally apply to the Graduate Studies Committee with the support of their supervisor when submitting their application for Confirmation of Status. If after permission has been granted, a student wishes to revert to a standard DPhil thesis format, the student must submit an application to the Director of Graduate Studies, with a supporting statement from his/her supervisor showing good cause for the change.

Further details are provided in the Graduate Studies Handbook.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to the number of papers required for an article-based thesis, from a minimum of 4 to 3. There are no issues of vested interests as the changes are beneficial to students and students can still submit more than 3 papers if they wish.

Other changes are to transfer the regulations into the divisional template for PGR degrees.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in the Oxford Internet Institute

Brief note about nature of change: amendment to requirement for Transfer

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rdtoxfointeinst/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for all students

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.19 as follows:

'(d) a detailed research proposal of no more than 615,000 words. This should:'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to allow for up to 15,000 words in the research proposal required at Transfer. This is to reflect that the Institute was granting a large number of exceptions for students to increase beyond the 6,000 word limit. Current students have been informed of the increased limit and it is a maximum rather than a required word count, therefore there are no issues of vested interests.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MSc Criminology and Criminal Justice

Brief note about nature of change: change of 2 course titles

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcicandcrimjust/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.3 as follows:
 - '3. The course will consist of the following elements: core courses in Explanation and Understanding in Criminology Criminological Theories and Understanding Criminal Justice; a course in Research Design and Data Collection; five option courses; and a 12,000-15,000 word dissertation on a topic agreed by the Board of Studies submitted in the final term. The required format for the dissertation is the common format prescribed for all law theses, which is printed in the Faculty of Law's Graduate Students' Handbook.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.8 as follows:
 - '(i) Explanation and Understanding in Criminology-Criminological Theories: Examined by a 2 hour examination in Week Nought of Hilary Term (in the first year for part-time students).'

3. Amend citation reference 1.41 as follows:

'Sociology of Theorising Punishment'

Explanatory Notes

Change of title for one core paper and one option paper

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MSc Economics for Development

Brief note about nature of change: removal of reference to distinction

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcieconfordeve/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Delete citation reference 1.14 as follows:

'4. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Removal of reference to distinction, as now stated in General Regulations for PGT programmes

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MSc Global Governance and Diplomacy

Brief note about nature of change: minor drafting changes

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbciggoveanddipl/studentview/ as amended by Gazette of 11/01/18

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.11 – 1.15 as follows:

- '(a) i. Global Governance and Diplomacy.
- (1) <u>a.</u> the sources, mechanisms, processes and practices of global governance at the subnational, national, international, and transnational levels: at the subnational, national, and transnational levels, the focus is on globalisation; at the international, transnational and supranational levels, the focus is on regional integration; at the level of inter-state governance, the focus is on international organisations, international regimes, and multilateralism.
- (2) <u>b.</u> substantive knowledge and theoretical background concerning institutions and processes of international diplomacy, including key themes of diplomatic thought, paradigms of international negotiation, ethical boundaries of diplomatic engagement, and

transformative implications of digital technologies.

(b) <u>ii.</u> Research Methods: common research methods in the social sciences including but not limited to the topics of concept formation, causal analysis, single and comparative case study methods, case selection, qualitative interviewing, historical and ethnographic methods, genealogy, and statistical approaches and instruments.'

Explanatory Notes

Minor drafting changes

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

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Title of Programme

MSc Medical Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: minor amendment to clarify assessment methods

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* [URL of regulation] http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcinmedianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.4 as follows:
 - '4. The written examination will consist of four papers on the syllabus described in the Schedule. Papers 1, 2 and 3 will each be assessed by a three-hour paper. Paper 4 (option) may be assessed either by one three-hour paper or by coursework essay. For those taking Paper 4 assessed by coursework essay, the essay must be submitted electronically via WebLearn not later than noon of the Tuesday of the second week of Trinity Term; each essay must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in electronic file format.'
- 2. Delete citation reference 1.8 as follows:
 - '8. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'
- 3. Amend citation reference 1.10 as follows:

'98. In order to pass the degree, a student must pass all its assessed components. Where one or more components are failed, the student will be given the opportunity to re-sit or re-submit them once, as the case may be. Any subsequent award of the degree on successful completion of all the assessed components may be delayed by up to three terms, i.e. until the Examination Board next meets.'

Explanatory Notes

These changes clarify the assessment methods for all papers – there are no actual changes to assessment.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MSc Migration Studies

Brief note about nature of change: removal of viva voce examinations and updates to core course title and details

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcinmigrstud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.1 as follows:
 - '1. The course shall be under the supervision of the Migration Studies Teaching Committee and regulated by the joint Graduate Studies Committee of the Social Sciences Board shall elect for the supervision of the course a Standing Committee, which shall consist of the Directors of the Centre on Migration, Policy and Society (COMPAS) and of the International Migration Institute (IMI) ex officio, the course director, and two other members of the teaching staff drawn from the Oxford Department of International Development and the School of Anthropology and Museum Ethnography, which shall have the power to arrange lectures and other instruction. The course director shall be responsible to that committee.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.2 as follows:
 - '2. Candidates must follow a course of instruction in Migration Studies for at least

three terms and will, when entering for the examinations, be required to produce a certificate from their supervisor to this effect. Candidates will be expected to attend such lectures and seminars as their supervisor/course director shall recommend.'

- 3. Delete citation reference 1.4 as follows:
 - '4. The examiners may at their discretion require any candidate to attend for a viva
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
 - '<u>54</u>. Each candidate will be required to satisfy the examiners in five papers in accordance with I, II, III, IV, and V below.'
- 5. Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:
 - 'I International Migration in the Social Sciences: An Interdisciplinary Introduction'
- **6.** Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:
 - 6. The This paper will provide an interdisciplinary perspective on history and politics of global mobility and migration, as well as engage with different epistemological approaches to studying mobility and migration. cover theories and approaches in migration studies; basic concepts in migration studies; types of human migration and mobility; the history and development of migration studies. Assessment of this paper will take place in the form of one written essay of a maximum of 5,000 words (excluding notes and bibliography). This essay will be expected to display an understanding of key concepts and analysis in the economics, politics, sociology and anthropology of migration. Candidates shall submit their essay to the Examination Schools no later than 12 noon on Tuesday of the first week of the Hilary Term of the course, accompanied by a statement that the essay is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'
- 7. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:
 - 76. This paper will be examined by means of a three-hour written examination to be taken during Trinity Term. Candidates will be expected to display understanding of the major debates in contemporary migration, including theoretical and practical thematic questions and issues that currently drive research in the field of migration studies. Topics to be covered will vary from year to year, depending on changes in the focus of migration studies.'
- 8. Amend citation reference 1.11 as follows:
 - 87. Candidates' understanding of the two options they choose will be assessed through two sets of questions in an options paper. A list of papers approved for this purpose by the Standing Committee will be available from the course director by Monday of sixth week of Michaelmas Term. Students are free to elect any one of these papers in consultation with their supervisor. The examiners may, at their discretion, either require candidates to sit the standard examination paper for this elective paper, or else set a paper specifically for students on the M.Sc. in Migration

Studies.'

9. Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:

98. Each student must display an understanding of research methods relevant to migration studies, which will be assessed by satisfactory completion of a course of practical work. This paper will cover (i) participant observation, in-depth interviewing, archival research, and qualitative data analysis; (ii) basic principles of statistical inference, and statistical models for the analysis of quantitative social science data; (iii) methods of data collection, including questionnaire design, interviewing and coding; and (iv) basic principles of statistical modelling in the social sciences.'

10. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows:

'409. Assessment of this paper shall take the form of two pieces of coursework, written during Michaelmas Term and Hilary Term. Candidates shall submit a portfolio consisting of copies of all coursework to the Examination Schools no later than 12 noon on Tuesday of noughth week of the Trinity Term of the course, accompanied by a statement that the coursework is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'

11. Amend citation reference 1.16 as follows:

'104. Each candidate shall be required to submit a dissertation of not more than 15,000 words (excluding references and appendices) on a subject approved by the supervisor. The candidate shall send to the Standing Committee, with the written approval of his or her supervisor, the proposed title of the dissertation for consideration by the Standing Committee, by noon on the Friday of the first second week of Hilary Term in the academic year in which his or her name was entered on the Register of M.Sc. Students.'

12. Amend citation reference 1.17 as follows:

'112. The dissertation (three copies) must be typewritten and delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, not later than noon on Thursday of eighth week of Trinity Term in the year in which the examination is taken. An electronic copy must also be submitted to the M.Sc in Migration Studies Course Coordinator, again by the date and time specified above. The dissertation must be presented in proper scholarly form, in 1.5 line spacing and double-sided on A4 paper, each copy bound or held firmly in a stiff cover. The dissertation must be marked for the attention of the Chair of Examiners, M.Sc. in Migration Studies, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford. The word count shall be stated on the outside front cover of the dissertation. The examiners shall retain a copy of the dissertation of each candidate who passes the examination for deposit in the Social Sciences Library.'

13. Delete citation reference 1.18 as follows:

'13. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole

examination.'

14. Amend citation reference 1.19 as follows:

'124. If it is the opinion of the examiners that the work done by a candidate is not of sufficient merit to qualify for the degree of M.Sc., the candidate shall be given the option of re-sitting the M.Sc. examination on one further occasion only, normally not later than one year after the first attempt.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to:

- i. Update title of core course, in line with paper title currently used
- ii. Update core course description
- iii. Remove viva voce examinations
- iv. Update details about course governance
- v. Delete reference to distinction

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MSc Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: amendment to assessment

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcimodesoutasiastud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.1 as follows:
 - '1. The course shall be under the supervision of the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee. The Course Director(s) will, where possible, rotate between members of the Faculty of Oriental Studies and the <u>Oxford</u> School of <u>Interdisciplinary Global and Area Studies</u>.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.3 as follows:
 - '3. Candidates will complete the core course in Modern South Asian Studies. The course will be assessed by two one take-home 5,000 word maximum essays. The first essay will be issued on Friday of Week 8 of Michaelmas Term and should be submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 1 of Hilary Term, and the second essay This will be issued on Friday Monday of Week 8 of Hilary Term and should be submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 1 of Trinity Term.'

- 3. Amend citation reference 1.10 as follows:
 - '5. Candidates will choose three two option papers from a list approved by the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee each of which will be assessed by one three-hour written examination in Trinity Term. This list will be published by the Course Director(s) in the Course Handbook at the beginning of each academic year. The availability of options in any one year will depend on teaching resources and the level of student interest. Students should select three two of these papers in consultation with their supervisor. Native speakers or advanced learners may substitute one option paper with an appropriate advanced language option (further details are provided in the Course Handbook). With special permission of the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee, candidates may choose papers offered by other relevant Master's degrees in the University, subject also to permission by the relevant Graduate Studies Committee. Candidates will take the standard assessment for such options.'
- 4. Delete citation reference 1.14 as follows:
 - '9. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'
- **5.** Amend citation reference 1.15 as follows:

'109. A candidate who fails 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. A candidate who fails either of the core course essays will be permitted to re-submit the essay(s) on one further occasion, normally at the beginning of the September following the term in which the written papers are first taken. If a candidate fails any either of the written papers or the thesis, they may re-sit/resubmit one further time on the next occasion when examined.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to the regulations to:

Reduce the assessment for the core course from 2 essays to 1

Reduce the number of option papers taken from 3 to 2

Update the name of the department

Remove reference to the award of distinction

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MSc Refugee and Forced Migration Studies

Brief note about nature of change: removal of viva voce examinations

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbciraforcmigrstud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Delete citation reference 1.2 as follows:
 - '2. Candidates must present themselves for an oral examination if requested by the examiners.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.3 as follows:
 - '32. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination. Every candidate will be required to satisfy the examiners in three papers and two essay papers as follows:'
- **3.** Amend citation reference 1.17 as follows:
 - '43. Candidates may be provided with selected international legal materials for use during some examinations, as published annually in the Course Handbook.'

Explanatory Notes

Removal of viva voce examinations and reference to distinction

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MSc Social Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: amendments to core course

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcinsocianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.3 as follows:
- '3. Candidates will be required to present themselves for written and (if requested) oral examinations and to submit written work for assessment, including three copies of a dissertation in prescribed form on an approved topic as defined below.'
 - 2. Amend citation reference 1.4 as follows:
 - '4. The written examination will consist of four papers on the syllabus described in the Schedule. Three papers will be taken to constitute Part I of the degree, as follows. Paper 1 will be examined by one coursework essay and by one three-hour paper; Papers 2 and 3 (options) will each be examined either by coursework essay or by one three-hour paper. The dissertation will be taken to constitute Part II of the degree. A candidate who fails any of the component parts of the examination may re-take or re-submit that part of the examination on one occasion only. At the close of the written examinations, the examiners will publish a list of those who have

satisfied them in Part I.

5. The assessed written work will consist of:

(i) one essay of no more than 5,000 words for Paper 1, for which a list of essay titles will be announced no later than Monday of the fourth week of Michaelmas Term. The essay must be submitted electronically via WebLearn not later than noon of the Tuesday of the first week of Hilary Term; the essay must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in electronic file format.'

- 3. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
- '5. Each candidate will be required to submit (ii) a dissertation of no more than 10,000 words, on a subject selected in consultation with the supervisor and approved by the Chair of Examiners. The proposed title of the dissertation, together with a paragraph describing its scope and the supervisor's written endorsement, must be submitted to the Chair of Examiners by Tuesday of the fifth week of Trinity Term.'
 - **4.** Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:
 - '6. Three typewritten copies of the dissertation must be delivered not later than noon on the last Wednesday in August in the year in which the examination is taken, to the Chair of the Examiners, M.Sc. in Social Anthropology, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford. The dissertation shall be provided with an abstract of up to 250 words, to be placed immediately after the title page. The word count shall be stated on the outside front cover of the thesis.
 - 5. The written examination will consist of one three-hour paper for Paper 1. Papers 2 and 3 (options) may each be assessed either by one 3-hour paper or by coursework essay. For those taking Papers 2 and 3 assessed by coursework essay, each essay must be submitted electronically via WebLearn not later than noon of the Tuesday of the second week of Trinity Term; each essay must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in electronic file format.'
- 5. Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:
- '7. The oral examination (if requested) may be on <u>any of</u> the candidate's written papers, <u>assessed written work</u>, or dissertation, or both.'
 - **6.** Delete citation reference 1.8-1.10 as follows:
 - '8. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.
 - 9. In order to pass the degree, a student must pass all its assessed components. Where one or more components are failed, the student will be given the opportunity to resit or re-submit them once, as the case may be. Any subsequent award of the degree on successful completion of all the assessed components may be delayed by up to three terms, i.e. until the Examination Board next meets.

10. The four papers will be taken to constitute Part I of the degree and the dissertation to constitute Part II. At the close of the written examinations, the examiners will publish a list of those who have satisfied them in Part I.

7. Amend citation reference 1.11-1.15 as follows:

'Students must satisfy the examiners in four three papers, two one of a general nature and two options.

- 1.Culture and Identity
- II. Kinship, Power and Change 1. Theories, Approaches and Themes in Social
 Anthropology

III2.Option Paper I

₩3. Option Paper II'

- 8. Amend citation reference 1.16 as follows:
 - 'Paper 1 is assessed by assessed essay submitted in Hilary Term and by one three-hour paper sat in Trinity Term. The two option papers (Papers ## 2 and #¥ 3 above) may be examined by assessed essay or by a three-hour sat examination, and must be selected from the lists below, within which the student has a free choice:'
- 9. Amend citation reference 1.18 as follows:

'List B. Topics in Visual, Material and Museum Anthropology'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to:

Combine core papers 1 and 2 into one paper

Change the assessment for the new paper to written examination and coursework essay

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by TAC on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MSc Social Data Science

Brief note about nature of change: change to assessment and addition of 1+1 MBA regulations

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Amend as follows:

'Master of Science by Coursework in Social Data Science

- 1. The course shall be under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Oxford Internet Institute.
- 2. Candidates must follow for three terms a course of instruction in Social Data Science.
- 3. The examination will be in nine parts, as follows:
 - Part 1: Compulsory core paper in 'Foundations and Frontiers of Social Data Science' assessed by written preparation for and participation in debates and the submission of written course work. Details of and arrangements for submission of the written course work shall be notified to candidates via WebLearn by Monday of week 1 of Michaelmas Term.

- Part 2: Compulsory core paper in 'Applied Analytical Statistics' assessed by three-hour written examination at the beginning of Hilary Term written coursework. Details of and arrangements for submission of the written coursework shall be notified to candidates via WebLearn by Monday week 1 of Michaelmas Term.
- Part 3: Compulsory core paper in 'Research Methods for Social Data Science' assessed by written coursework. Details of and arrangements for submission of the written course work shall be notified to candidates via WebLearn by Friday of week 4 of Hilary Term.
- Part 4: Compulsory core paper in 'Python for Social Data Science' assessed by threetwo-hour written examination at the beginning of Hilary Term and written coursework. Details of and arrangements for submission of the written coursework shall be notified to candidates via WebLearn by Monday week 1 of Michaelmas Term.
- Part 5: Compulsory core paper in 'Data Analytics at Scale' assessed by a project and written coursework. Details of and arrangements for submission of the written course work shall be notified to candidates via WebLearn by Monday of week 1 of Michaelmas Term.
- Part 6: Compulsory core paper in 'Machine Learning' assessed by completed problem sets and written report. Details of and arrangements for submission of the written course work shall be notified to candidates via WebLearn by Monday of week 1 of Michaelmas Term.
- Parts 7-8: Two option papers, to be chosen from a list to be published on the Oxford Internet Institute website annually by Monday of week 1 of Michaelmas Term. Not all options may be available every year. The option papers will be assessed by arrangements which are specified in the reading lists for each paper, details of and arrangements for submission of which shall be notified to candidates by Monday of week 1 of Michaelmas Term.
- Part 9: A thesis not to exceed 15,000 words on a topic within the subject of the course, to be specified jointly by supervisor and student, and approved by the Course Director and the Board of Examiners. The thesis must be submitted via WebLearn by noon of the weekday on or nearest to the 1st of August of the year in which the examination is to be taken.
- 4. All written assignments must be uploaded to the course WebLearn by the times and dates specified at the start of the course. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.
- 5. The examiners may examine any candidate viva voce.
- 6. Candidates who receive a failing mark for any of the summative assessments, may re-sit or resubmit the assessment on one further occasion, normally on the next occasion when examined and within one year of the original failure.

Oxford 1+1 MBA programme

<u>Candidates registered on the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme will follow an additional two or three-month bridging programme at the end of their third term of the combined programme.</u>

Each candidate will be appointed an academic advisor from the Saïd Business School to plan an individual course of study which will include, as a minimum, the following three compulsory elements:

- (i) Normally two meetings during the bridging programme with the senior advisor appointed by the Saïd Business School at the start of the Oxford 1+1 MBA programme.
- (ii) A formatively assessed Integrative Development Plan of up to 3,000 words. Candidates would be required to critically reflect on their learning from the Masters programme and relate this both to their forthcoming MBA programme as well as to their career goals. The meetings with the advisor will frame the design, delivery and discussion of the plan.
- (iii) Attendance of the MBA pre-course as described in the joining instructions for the MBA class, unless granted exemption by the MBA Committee on the grounds of prior formal study or work experience.'

Explanatory Notes

Change of assessment for three course on new programme due to start in MT 2018, and addition of Oxford 1+1 MBA regulations.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MSc Visual, Material, and Museum Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: minor amendment to clarify assessment methods

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbciv-mandmuseanth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:
 - '(ii) an outline proposal for the MSc dissertation research of no more than 2,500 words for Paper 3(a) on the syllabus described in the Schedule. A template will be provided for the proposal on Friday of eighth week of Hilary Term. The research proposal or essay, together with any associated non-textual materials, must be submitted electronically via WebLearn not later than noon of the Tuesday of the fifth week of Trinity Term; the essay and associated materials must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in electronic file format; non-textual and multimedia materials shall not constitute more than fifteen minutes of viewing/reading time.'
- 2. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:
 - '6. The written examination will consist of one three-hour paper for Paper 4 (Fundamental Concepts in Visual, Material and Museuam Anthropology) on the

syllabus described in the Schedule. Paper 2 (option) may be assessed either by one three-hour paper or by coursework essay. For those doing Paper 2 assessed by coursework essay, the essay must be submitted electronically via WebLearn not later than noon of the Tuesday of the second week of Trinity Term; the essay and any associated materials must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in electronic file format., three copies of the essay, together with three copies of any associated non-print materials, must be delivered not later than noon of Tuesday of the second week of Trinity Term to the Chair of Examiners, M.Sc. in Visual, Material, and Museum Anthropology, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford.'

- 3. Delete citation reference 1.12 as follows:
 - '8. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'
- 4. Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:

'98. In order to pass the degree, a student must pass all its assessed components. Where one or more components are failed, the student will be given the opportunity to re-sit or re-submit them once, as the case may be. Any subsequent award of the degree on successful completion of all the assessed components may be delayed by up to three terms, i.e. until the Examination Board next meets.'

5. Amend citation reference 1.16 as follows:

'Topics central to this paper include: the changing roles and meanings of artefacts over time; the legacies of anthropology's history in the present – with special reference to museums and material culture; issues of representation, politics and power; theoretical and methodological shifts in the analysis of material culture, museums and display; fieldwork, collecting, archival processes and other methodologies central to the production of anthropological knowledge. Case studies may focus on topics such as: visual culture (including photography, the internet, art and aesthetics); music and performance; museum ethics and relationships with 'source communities'; landscape and the built environment; religion, identity, and material culture; dress and body modification; mass production and trade; debates concerning tradition, modernity and authenticity; transnational cultural flows; the wider issues of cross-cultural investigation; phenomenological, semiotic and poststructuralist approaches to visual media and material culture; time, memory and perception; film and photographs as material culture; social uses and local practices of visual media use, including indigenous media and indigenous curation; professional visual media production; visual media and contemporary arts practices; image ethics; digital media practice; audience response and reception theory; art, performance, and display; detailed study of the work of one or more contemporary ethnographic filmmaker, artist, or photographer. [Note: some topics may vary slightly from year to year].'

Explanatory Notes

These changes clarify the assessment methods for all papers – there are no actual changes to assessment.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Economics

Brief note about nature of change: new option paper

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mophilinecon/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.1-1.41 as follows:

'The regulations made by the Divisional Board of Social Sciences are as follows:

First-year examinations

There will be three compulsory papers subjects to be taken examined at the end of the first year of the course.

- (a) Macroeconomics
- (b) Microeconomics
- (c) Econometrics

Details of the content of the three compulsory papers <u>subjects</u> will be published on the Department of Economics WebLearn site at the beginning of Michaelmas Term each year. In exceptional circumstances, the Economics Graduate Studies Committee may give

permission for a candidate to defer one of these papers subjects. This paper subject will then be taken at the same time as the final examination.

Candidates who pass these papers <u>subjects</u> will proceed to the second year of the course and take the Final Examination at the end of the second year. Candidates who fail only one out of the three <u>papers subjects</u> may, by permission of the Economics Graduate Studies Committee, proceed to the second year of the course and resit the one failed <u>paper subject</u> at the same time as the final examination. Otherwise, candidates who fail the first-year examination will be permitted to resit all three <u>papers subjects</u> at the end of their second year but will not be permitted to enter the final examination at that time. If they then pass the three compulsory <u>papers subjects</u>, they will be permitted to proceed with the course and enter the final examination at the end of their third year. In exceptional cases, the Economics Graduate Studies Committee may permit the deferral of resitting one of the three <u>papers subjects</u> at the end of the second year until the final examination. No candidate will be permitted to resit any of the compulsory <u>papers subjects</u> more than once. *Final Examination*

No candidate shall enter the final examination unless he or she has already passed the three compulsory papers subjects in the first-year examinations, save that the Economics Graduate Studies Committee may permit any candidate who has failed one of the compulsory papers subjects to resit that paper subject at the same time as the final examination.

All candidates must offer five second year papers <u>subjects</u> and submit a thesis.8 Candidates must take at least one starred (*) <u>paper subject</u> (advanced core subject) and at least one non-starred <u>paper</u> subject (field subject).

Candidates must deliver two copies of the thesis (clearly marked with the candidate's name, college, and the words 'M.Phil. in Economics' and accompanied by a statement signed by the candidate that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated) to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford OX1 4BG, by noon on Wednesday in the third week of Trinity Full Term in which the final examination is to be taken. Successful candidates will have one copy of their thesis deposited in the Economics Library by the Department at the end of the examination.

Second year papers subjects for the M.Phil. in Economics

Second year papers subjects may be offered from the following list:

- 1. Advanced Macroeconomics 1*
- 2. Advanced Macroeconomics 2*
- 3. Advanced Microeconomics 1*
- 4. Advanced Microeconomics 2*

- 5. Advanced Econometrics 1*
- 6. Advanced Econometrics 2*
- 7. Advanced Econometrics 3*
- 8. Behavioural Economics
- 9. Development Economics 1
- 10. Development Economics 2
- 11. Economic History 1
- 12. Economic History 2
- 13. Financial Economics 1
- 14. Financial Economics 2
- 15. Industrial Organisation 1
- 16. Industrial Organisation 2
- 17. International Trade 1
- 18. International Trade 2
- 19. Labour Economics
- 20. Public Economics
- 21. Theory Based Empirical Analysis
- 22. Urban and Spatial Economics
- 23. International Macroeconomics and Finance

Not all papers <u>subjects</u> on this list will be available every year. The <u>definitive list</u> of second year <u>papers subjects</u> together with information on content and structure will be published on the Department of Economics WebLearn site at the beginning of Michaelmas Term of the year in which the exam is to be taken. The examiners will not provide calculators, but will permit the use of a hand-held pocket calculator in the examination room, both for the first year examinations and for the final examination, subject to the conditions set out under the heading 'Use of calculators in examinations' in the <u>Regulations for the Conduct of University Examinations</u>.

A list of permitted calculators will be reviewed annually in the week prior to the first full week of Michaelmas Term and published by the Department of Economics on its weblearn WebLearn site.

8 Theses must be of not more than 30,000 words and must be typewritten. The thesis must be accompanied by a statement that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. See the general regulation concerning the preparation and dispatch of theses. Candidates are reminded that work submitted for the Degree of M.Phil. may subsequently be incorporated in a thesis submitted for the Degree of D.Phil.'

Explanatory Notes

Addition of new option paper and updating of terminology throughout the regulations.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Medical Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: minor amendment to clarify assessment methods

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopinmedianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first (qualifying) examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:

'Every candidate will be required to satisfy the examiners in an examination for which, if he or she passes at the appropriate level, he or she will be allowed to proceed to the second year of the M.Phil. Candidates must follow a course of instruction in Medical Anthropology for at least three terms, and will, when entering for the examinations, be required to produce a certificate from their supervisor to this effect. Every candidate for the M.Phil. qualifying examination will be required to satisfy the examiners in four written papers, described below, to be taken in the Trinity Term of the academic year in which the candidate's name is first entered on the Register of M.Phil. Students or, with the approval of the Divisional Board, in a subsequent year. Papers 1, 2 and 3 will each be assessed by a three-hour paper. Paper 4 (option) may be assessed either by one three-hour paper or by coursework essay. For those taking Paper 4 assessed by coursework essay, the essay must be submitted electronically via WebLearn not later than noon of the Tuesday of the second week of Trinity Term; each essay must be anonymous, accompanied by

confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in electronic file format.

The following four papers shall be taken:'

2. Delete citation reference 1.28 as follows:

'The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

These changes clarify the assessment methods for all papers – there are no actual changes to assessment.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: amendment to assessment

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopimodesoutasiastud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first (qualifying) examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.1 as follows:
- '1. The course shall be under the supervision of the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee. The Course Director(s) will, where possible, rotate between members of the Faculty of Oriental Studies and the Oxford School of Interdisciplinary Global and Area Studies.'
 - 2. Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:

'The course will be assessed by two one take-home 5,000 word maximum essays. The first essay will be issued on Friday of Week 8 of Michaelmas Term and should be submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 1 of Hilary Term, and the second essay will be issued on Friday Monday of Week 8 of Hilary Term and should be submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 1 of Trinity Term.'

3. Amend citation reference 1.18 as follows:

'Candidates will choose three two option papers from a list approved by the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee each of which will be assessed by one three-hour written examination in Trinity Term. This list will be published by the Course Director(s) in the Course Handbook at the beginning of each academic year. The availability of options in any one year will depend on teaching resources and the level of student interest. Students should select three two of these papers in consultation with their supervisor. Native speakers or advanced learners may substitute one option paper with an appropriate advanced language option (further details are provided in the Course Handbook). With special permission of the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee, candidates may choose papers offered by other relevant Master's degrees in the University, subject also to permission by the relevant Graduate Studies Committee. Candidates will take the standard assessment for such options.'

- **4.** Amend citation reference 1.20 as follows:
 - '5. To be permitted to progress to the second year of the MPhil course all candidates must pass the two core course essays, the research methods course overall, and for students following the language track, the language examination. A candidate who fails the research methods course overall will be permitted to resubmit 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. A candidate who fails either of the core course essays or the language examination paper will be permitted to re-submit the essay(s) or re-sit the paper on one further occasion, normally at the beginning of the September preceding the second year.'
- **5.** Amend citation reference 1.30 as follows:
 - '(i) Candidates will choose two one option papers from a list approved by the Modern South Asian Studies Teaching Committee, each of which will be assessed by one three-hour written examinations in Trinity Term. This list will be published by the Course Director(s) in the Course Handbook at the beginning of each academic vear.'
- 6. Delete citation reference 1.35 as follows:
 - '13. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'
- **7.** Amend citation reference 1.36 as follows:
 - '143. A candidate who fails either any of the written examination papers or the thesis will be permitted to re-sit/re-submit on one further occasion when next examined.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to the regulations to:

Reduce the assessment for the core course from 2 essays to 1

Reduce the number of option papers taken

Update the name of the department

Remove reference to the award of distinction

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Social Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: minor amendment to core course

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopinsocianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first (qualifying) examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:

'Each candidate will be required to satisfy the examiners in Part I (papers I $\overline{1-3}$) on of the syllabus described in the Schedule for the M.Sc. in Social Anthropology, and governed by regulation 4 for that degree.'

- 2. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:
 - '(i) to present himself or herself for written examination or to submit for examination one coursework essay, as required for the course, in one of the optional areas or topics available for that year, other than that taken by the candidate in the M.Phil. Qualifying Examination the previous year;'
- **3.** Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:
 - '3. Thesis 15'
- **4.** Delete citation reference 1.16 as follows:

'The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Updates to text in line with changes to the core course on the MSc Social Anthropology

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

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Title of Programme

MPhil Visual, Material, and Museum Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: minor amendment to clarify assessment methods

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopiv-mandmuseanth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first (qualifying) examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
 - '(i) to present himself or herself for written examination or to submit for examination one coursework essay, as required for the course, in one of the optional areas or topics available for that year in Lists A, B, or C, other than that taken by the candidate in the M.Phil. Qualifying Examination the previous year;'
- 2. Delete citation reference 1.12 as follows:
 - '5. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

These changes clarify that assessment for option papers may be by written exam or submitted coursework – there are no actual changes to assessment.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

Final Honour School of Archaeology and Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: change to title of core course

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/hsoarchandanth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:

'4. <u>Urbanism and Society</u> Urbanisation and change in complex societies: comparative approaches.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to title of core course

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

Final Honour School of Human Sciences

Brief note about nature of change: change to title and description of core course

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/hsofhumascie/studentview/ as amended by Gazette of 15/03/18

Effective date

For students starting FHS from MT 2018

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
 - '1. Behaviour and its Evolution: Animal and Human'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:
 - '1. Behaviour and its Evolution: Animal and Human'
- 3. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows:

'Introduction to the study of behaviour including how questions in animal (including human) behaviour can be studied by experiment and observation. Adaptation, kin selection, parental care, group living, tool use, culture, conflict and aggression, sexual selection, animal signals, genes and innate behaviour, and learning.

Evolutionary approaches to human behaviour, including the socio-behavioural ecology of Miocene, Pliocene and Pleistocene hominins and evolutionary perspectives on human social and developmental psychology. the evolution of

behavioural interactions within groups. Behavioural strategies that have evolved in humans and other animals. The use of models to understand complex behaviour. Advanced ethology and cognition, including learning. Perception and decision-making. Primate behaviour and evolutionary ecology, including the development of primate social systems and the evolution of cognition. This paper will be examined by an unseen written examination paper.'

4. Amend citation reference 1.16 as follows:

'The nature and structure of the human genome, including single gene traits, gene function, and assessment of social implications. Population genetics of humans and primates. Quantitative genetics and complex trait analysis in humans. Genomic complexity as illustrated by the genetic basis for immune response. Molecular evolution, human genetic diversity and the genetic basis of human evolution. Genetic basis of common complex diseases. Human behaviour, cognition and cultural transmission in the context of six million years of physiological evolution and ecological change. Evolution and genomics of Hominoidea; the genetic basis of hominin evolution and human diversity, including single gene traits, quantitative traits, and complex traits. The structure of the human genome, the associated technologies for genome analysis, methodological approaches to finding genes for traits, and the social implications of genetic knowledge. Medical genetics as illustrated by cancer and genetic susceptibility to infection. This paper will be examined by an unseen written examination paper.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to title of one core course and updates to descriptions of two courses.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

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Title of Programme

Final Honour School of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

Brief note about nature of change: suspension of option paper

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/hsop-poliandecon/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Delete citation reference 1.72 as follows:

'219. The Sociology of Post-Industrial Societies'

2. Delete citation reference 1.143 as follows:

'219. The Sociology of Post-Industrial Societies'

3. Delete citation reference 1.144 as follows:

'Candidates will be expected to show knowledge of the following aspects of the social structure of urban-industrial societies: occupation and economic structure; social stratification and mobility; education; the social significance of gender and ethnicity; demography and the family; the social structure of religion; and the impact on society of the state and politics. They must show knowledge of modern Britain and at least one other industrial society, and of the main general theories of

industrial society.'	
Explanatory Notes	
Suspension of option paper	

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

Law Moderations

Brief note about nature of change: clarification of resits

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/lawmode/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5-1.9 as follows:
- '2. Every candidate must take the relevant examination in all three subjects at the end of Hilary Term of their first year and must pass in all three subjects to pass Law Moderations. Candidates who fail in any subject must re-sit the examination in that subject at the end of Trinity Term of their first year.
- 3. The Moderators may award a Distinction under criteria defined in the Examination

 Conventions. Every candidate who has passed in three subjects shall be deemed to have satisfied the Moderators, provided that
 - (a) he or she shall have passed in not less than two subjects at one and the same time, and
 - (b) he or she shall not be permitted to count any pass obtained in any subject before he

or she satisfied the provision in (a).

- 3. Any candidate may offer himself or herself for examination in one, two, or three subjects. Except as provided in clause 2 hereof, a candidate who has passed a subject in one examination may not offer himself or herself for that subject again in a later examination. No candidate may re-enter the examination on more than one occasion after their first attempt, other than in exceptional circumstances and with the permission of the University Education Committee.
- 4. The Moderators may award a Distinction to any candidate of special merit who passes in three subjects at any one examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to clarify the timing of exams and resits, and to cross reference the exam conventions.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

Preliminary Examination in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

Brief note about nature of change: clarification of timing of exams and resits

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/peip-poliandecon/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
 - '2. A candidate shall be allowed to offer himself or herself for examination in one, two, or three subjects. Every candidate must take the relevant examination in all three subjects at the end of Trinity Term of their first year and must pass all three subjects to pass the PPE Preliminary Examination. Candidates who fail any subject must re-sit the examination in that subject at the next available attempt (normally September).'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:
 - '4. The Moderators may award a distinction, under criteria defined in the Examination Conventions, to candidates of special merit who have passed all three subjects at a single examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to clarify the timing of exams and resits, and to cross reference the exam conventions.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18 and on behalf of Education Committee on 19/06/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Biodiversity, Conservation and Management

Brief note about nature of change: change to require electronic submission of dissertation

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mopibiod-consandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2016

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:

'(a) offer a thesis of not more than 30,000 words accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 300 words. The maximum word count shall include footnotes, but exclude appendices, references and the abstract. The detailed format and specification of the dissertation shall be approved by the Standing Committee, and be published in the course handbook. Two typewritten copies of the thesis must be submitted to the Examination Schools and addressed to the Chair of Examiners of the MPhil in Biodiversity, Conservation, and Management, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon of the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The thesis must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than noon on the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Successful candidates will be required to deposit one copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library, and will be required to

sign a form stating whether they will permit their thesis to be consulted. The thesis shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. Both copies must bear the candidate's examination number but not his/her name.'

Explanatory Notes

Vested interests: all current second year students have been consulted and are content with the change to require online submission of the thesis.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18 and on behalf of Education Committee on 19/06/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Environmental Change and Management

Brief note about nature of change: change to require electronic submission of dissertation

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mopienvichanandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2016

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:

'(a) offer a thesis of not more than 30,000 words accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 300 words. The maximum word count shall include footnotes, but exclude appendices, references and the abstract. The detailed format and specification of the dissertation shall be approved by the Standing Committee, and be published in the course handbook. Two typewritten copies of the thesis must be submitted to the Examination Schools and addressed to the Chair of Examiners of the MPhil in Biodiversity, Conservation, and Management, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon of the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The thesis must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than noon on the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Successful candidates will be required to deposit one copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library, and will be required to

sign a form stating whether they will permit their thesis to be consulted. The thesis shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. Both copies must bear the candidate's examination number but not his/her name.'

Explanatory Notes

Vested interests: all current second year students have been consulted and are content with the change to require online submission of the thesis.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18 and on behalf of Education Committee on 19/06/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Nature, Society, and Environmental Governance

Brief note about nature of change: change to require electronic submission of dissertation

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mopin-soci-andenvigove/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2016

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:

'(a) offer a thesis of not more than 30,000 words accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 300 words. The maximum word count shall include footnotes, but exclude appendices, references and the abstract. The detailed format and specification of the dissertation shall be approved by the Standing Committee, and be published in the course handbook. Two typewritten copies of the thesis must be submitted to the Examination Schools and addressed to the Chair of Examiners of the MPhil in Biodiversity, Conservation, and Management, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon of the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The thesis must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than noon on the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Successful candidates will be required to deposit one copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library, and will be required to

sign a form stating whether they will permit their thesis to be consulted. The thesis shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. Both copies must bear the candidate's examination number but not his/her name.'

Explanatory Notes

Vested interests: all current second year students have been consulted and are content with the change to require online submission of the thesis.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18 and on behalf of Education Committee on 19/06/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Water Science, Policy and Management

Brief note about nature of change: change to require electronic submission of dissertation

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2016* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/mopiwscie-poliandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2016

For first examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:

'(a) offer a thesis of not more than 30,000 words accompanied by an abstract not exceeding 300 words. The maximum word count shall include footnotes, but exclude appendices, references and the abstract. The detailed format and specification of the dissertation shall be approved by the Standing Committee, and be published in the course handbook. Two typewritten copies of the thesis must be submitted to the Examination Schools and addressed to the Chair of Examiners of the MPhil in Biodiversity, Conservation, and Management, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon of the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The thesis must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site no later than noon on the first weekday of September at the end of the second year. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work. Successful candidates will be required to deposit one copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library, and will be required to

sign a form stating whether they will permit their thesis to be consulted. The thesis shall be accompanied by a statement certifying that the thesis is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. Both copies must bear the candidate's examination number but not his/her name.'

Explanatory Notes

Vested interests: all current second year students have been consulted and are content with the change to require online submission of the thesis.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 02/06/17 and by Education Committee on 05/07/17

Name of Regulation

General Regulations for the Degree of Master of Science by Coursework

Brief note about nature of change: Introduction of MSc Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

After citation reference 1.34 insert as follows:

'Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching Social Sciences'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of new version of the renamed MSc Teaching English Language in University Settings

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 02/06/17 and by Education Committee on 05/07/17

Name of Regulation

General Regulations for Postgraduate Diplomas in Education

Brief note about nature of change: Introduction of PGDip Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.1 as follows:

1. The Departmental Board of the Department of Education shall have power to grant Postgraduate Diplomas in Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching and Postgraduate Diplomas in Education and Postgraduate Diplomas in Learning and Teaching in Higher Education and Postgraduate Diplomas in Teaching English in University Settings and Postgraduate Diplomas in Teacher Education to candidates who have satisfied the conditions prescribed in this section and any further conditions which the committee may prescribe by regulation.'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of new version of the renamed PGDip Teaching English Language in University Settings

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 02/06/17 and by Education Committee on 05/07/17

Title of Programme

MSc Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching (Part-time)

Brief note about nature of change: Major changes to MSc TELUS, including renaming

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Insert as follows:

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

- 1. All candidates will initially be admitted for the Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching. Candidates for the M.Sc. in Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching shall normally have successfully obtained an honours degree. They shall normally be engaged as teachers of a second or foreign language at the time of application, and shall expect to continue this engagement during the course.
- 2. Every candidate must follow a part-time course of instruction in Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching as determined by the Course Director. All candidates on the course are required to complete six summatively assessed taught modules, and two formatively

assessed modules, or, in exceptional cases and as determined by the Course Director, to give evidence of equivalent learning for one of these two formatively assessed modules. Candidates must also submit a dissertation.

- 3. Candidates shall be deemed to have passed the examination if they pass all six assessed modules and pass the dissertation.
- 4. In each of the two years of this part-time course, an electronic copy of each take-home examination for the two Michaelmas Term modules must be uploaded to the Department of Education's Higher Degrees WebLearn site, no later than noon on the Friday of Week 0 of Hilary Term, and an electronic copy of the take-home examination for the Hilary Term module must be uploaded to the same place no later than noon on the Friday of Week 0 of Trinity Term. Each take-home examination must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work. Marks will be released to candidates during Hilary Term and Trinity Term of each year after a meeting of the Examination Board. To transfer successfully from the Postgraduate Diploma to the M.Sc., candidates must have passed the first three assessed modules (usually completed in Year 1).
- 5. Candidates are 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 their 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 dissertation is submitted.
- 6. An electronic copy of the dissertation must be uploaded to the Department of Education's Higher Degrees WebLearn site not later than noon on the fourth Tuesday 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 will also be required to submit a hardbound copy of the dissertation to the Department of Education no later than one week after submission of the electronic copy. The hard bound copy of the dissertation of each candidate who passes the examination shall be retained by the department for deposit in the departmental library.
- 7. 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.

Candidates who fail any modules or the dissertation at the first attempt cannot normally be awarded more than 50 at resubmission.

- 8. If a failing mark is received on the dissertation, either at the time of the original submission or upon re-sit and a passing mark has been received for 6 assessed modules, the student may apply to exit the programme with a Postgraduate Diploma.
- 9. The candidate may also be examined orally. The oral examination will normally be on the candidate's dissertation.'

Explanatory Notes

Major changes to the MSc Teaching English Language in University Settings, including changing the title of the programme

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/06/16 and by Education Committee on 17/06/16

Title of Programme

MPhil Modern Japanese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: closure of programme

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopimodejapastud/studentview/

Effective date

With effect from MT 2018

Detail of change

Delete citation reference 1.1 to 1.29 and course title.

Explanatory Notes

This programme has been replaced by the MPhil Japanese Studies.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 02/06/17 and by Education Committee on 05/07/17

Title of Programme

PGDip Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching (Part-time)

Brief note about nature of change: Major changes to PGDip TELUS, including renaming

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Insert as follows:

'PGDip in Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching

- 1. Candidates for the PGDip in Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching shall normally have successfully obtained an honours degree. They shall normally be engaged as teachers of a second or foreign language at the time of application, and shall expect to continue this engagement during the course.
- 2. Every candidate must follow a part-time course of instruction in Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching as determined by the Course Director for five terms. All candidates on the course are required to complete six summatively assessed taught modules, and two formatively assessed modules, or, in exceptional cases and as determined by the Course

Director, to give evidence of equivalent learning for one of these two formatively assessed modules.

- 3. Candidates shall be deemed to have passed the examination if they pass all six assessed modules.
- 4. In each of the two years of this part-time course, an electronic copy of each take-home examination for the two Michaelmas Term modules must be uploaded to the Department of Education's Higher Degrees WebLearn site, no later than noon on the Friday of Week 0 of Hilary Term, and an electronic copy of the take-home examination for the Hilary Term module must be uploaded to the same place no later than noon on the Friday of Week 0 of Trinity Term. Each take-home examination must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work. Marks will be released to candidates during Hilary Term and Trinity Term of each year after a meeting of the Examination Board.
- 5. 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. Candidates who fail any modules at the first attempt cannot normally be awarded more than 50 at resubmission.
- 6. The candidate may also be examined orally.

Explanatory Notes

Major changes to the PGDip Teaching English Language in University Settings, including changing the title of the programme

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 05/07/18

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to name of School

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rditsofinteareastud/

Effective date

With immediate effect

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.3 as follows:

'Students will normally be admitted as Probationer Research Students. Applications for Transfer of Status should normally be submitted to the Graduate Studies Committee of the <u>Oxford School of Interdisciplinary Global and Area Studies no later than the end of week 4 of the third term after admission.'</u>

2. Amend citation reference 1.11 as follows:

'The application will be considered by two assessors appointed by the Graduate Studies Committee of the Oxford School of Interdisciplinary Global and Area Studies. The panel will read the work, interview the student and make a recommendation to the committee in a written report.'

3. Amend citation reference 1.15 as follows:

'The student will be required to show that the research already accomplished shows the required potential to produce a satisfactory DPhil. Applications should be submitted to the Graduate Studies Committee of the <u>Oxford School</u> of

Interdisciplinary Global and Area Studies and will comprise the following:'

4. Amend citation reference 1.22 as follows:

'The application will be considered by two assessors appointed by the Graduate Studies Committee of the Oxford School of Interdisciplinary Global and Area Studies. The panel will read the work, interview the student and make a recommendation to the committee in a written report.'

Explanatory Notes

Updates to the regulations in line with the change of name for the School.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in the Saïd Business School

Brief note about nature of change: changes to clarify requirements for integrated theses

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/rdtsaidbusischo/

Effective date

With immediate effect

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.86 as follows:
 - '4. Integrated Thesis (Three paper route)'
- **2.** Amend citation reference 1.88 as follows:

'A D.Phil. Thesis submitted under this rubric may include joint publications, providing that, aside from the candidate, none of the named co-authors is a student. Where a joint publication with another student is included, this must be in addition to the minimum of three academic papers required to be included in the D.Phil. thesis. Where joint publications are included, the supervisor must certify and all co-authors must certify in writing to the Director of Graduate Studies of the School that the majority of that work represents the work of the candidate.'

3. Amend citation reference 1.89 as follows:

'CA candidates wishing to proceed in this manner must obtain permission from

his/her supervisor, the Director of Graduate Studies, and the D.Phil. Committee and must be approved at the time of confirmation for D.Phil. status. Evidence must be submitted at the time permission is sought that at least one of the three academic papers has been submitted to an identified journal, if not yet accepted or published.'

4. Amend citation reference 1.90 as follows:

'If, after a petition is accepted permission is granted, a candidate wishes to revert to a standard D.Phil. thesis format the candidate must lodge a petition with seek the approval of his/her supervisor, the School and D.Phil. Committee showing good cause for the change.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to bring the regulations for integrated theses into line with University guidance. No issues of vested interests, as the changes are for clarification.

Changes in Examination Regulations to the University Gazette – Education Committee

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In Examination Regulations 2017	
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Detail of change	
Remove citation reference 1.171-1.172 as follows:	
'Teaching English Language in University Settings	Social Sciences'
Explanatory Notes	
Removal of MSc Teaching English Language in University settings, as by MSc Applied Linguistics for Language Teaching	it has been replaced

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 05/07/18

Title of Programme

MSc Contemporary Chinese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to name of School

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcicontchinstud/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.1 as follows:

'1. The Course shall be under the supervision of the Chinese Studies Committee. The Course Director will, where possible, rotate between members of the Faculty of Oriental Studies and the <u>Oxford School of Interdisciplinary Global and Area Studies.'</u>

Explanatory Notes

Updates to the regulations in line with the change of name for the School.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

MSc Environmental Change and Management

Brief note about nature of change: change to assessment for one paper

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbciechanandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

After citation reference 1.6 insert as follows:

'(iv) one assessed piece of coursework on methods and techniques for environmental management. This must be uploaded to the course WebLearn Submissions site by the time and date specified at the start of the course. The submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to assessment for 'Methods and techniques for environmental management' – currently a three-hour exam but changing to two-hour exam plus a piece of submitted coursework.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MSc Evidence-Based Social Intervention and Policy Evaluation

Brief note about nature of change: clarification of requirements of methods workbook

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcie-bsiape-ebsi/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:
 - '3. A candidate who fails the examination may enter for one subsequent examination only, provided this is within six terms of his or her initial registration. A candidate who has attained a satisfactory mark in any one of the four components (i through iv) of the examination in item 2 above will not be required to retake the component(s) that received a pass mark.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:
 - '(ii) Evaluation Methods (core course): Candidates will be expected to have a knowledge of major quantitative and qualitative techniques, and research designs for understanding social problems and evaluating social interventions and policies. In the event of failure of an element any of the five methods workbook assignments, candidates are able to resubmit that element assignment once. The maximum mark awarded for re-submitted elements is 50 except in exceptional

circumstances. <u>Candidates must pass all five assignments to successfully pass the</u> methods workbook.'

3. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows:

'(iii) Option course: This will enable students to link evidence-based solutions to a range of social problems. The list of options will be published annually by Friday of the sixth week of Michaelmas Full Term in the Department of Social Policy and Intervention. Candidates are expected to take options offered through the EBSIPE course. Only in In exceptional circumstances and with the special permission of the Course Director, the optional paper may be from subjects outside this list.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to clarify the arrangements for assessment of the methods workbook, and to clarify that students are expected to take EBSIPE option papers unless in exceptional circumstances.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 05/07/18

Title of Programme

MSc Japanese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to name of School

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcinjapastud/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.1 as follows:

'1. The Course shall be under the supervision of the Japanese Studies Committee. The Course Director will, where possible, rotate between members of the Faculty of Oriental Studies and the Oxford School of Global and Interdisciplinary Area Studies.'

Explanatory Notes

Updates to the regulations in line with the change of name for the School.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MSc Law and Finance

Brief note about nature of change: Clarification of submission of declaration of authorship and removal of reference to distinction

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcilawandfina/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:
- '7. Course assignments, where set, must be submitted not later than the time and date stipulated for each exercise; these will be published by the Board of Examiners before the first Monday of each term in which the assignment or project must be undertaken. Such assignments shall be submitted electronically via WebLearn by the times and dates specified. Candidates will be contacted with details of how to submit the assignments. On submitting the assignments, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration of authorship.'
- 2. Delete citation reference 1.11 as follows:
 - '9. The Board of Examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the examination.'

3. Amend citation reference 1.12 as follows:

'409. Candidates are permitted on only one occasion to resubmit or retake failed assessment items on any course on which they have failed to achieve the required standard.'

Explanatory Notes

- 1. Change to clarify that declaration of authorship is not submitted online
- 2. Change to remove reference to distinction, as it will now be covered in General Regulations.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/05/18 and by Education Committee on 05/07/18

Title of Programme

MSc Learning and Teaching

Brief note about nature of change: clarification of exit award arrangements

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcilearandteac/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for all students on course

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.41 as follows:
- '11. Candidates who successfully complete Parts I and II of the M.Sc. in Learning and Teaching (or who are exempt from Part I and successfully complete Part II) and who choose not to continue with their programme of study may be awarded a Postgraduate Diploma in Learning and Teaching. Candidates who successfully complete Parts I and II of the M.Sc. in Learning and Teaching (or who are exempt from Part I and successfully complete Part II) and receive a fail mark for Part III, either at the time of the original submission (and do not wish to re-sit) or after re-submission, may apply to exit the programme with a Postgraduate Diploma in Learning and Teaching.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to clarify the original intention that all students who have successfully completed Part II of the programme are eligible for the award of PGDip.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MSc Refugee and Forced Migration Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to description of methods essay

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbciraforcmigrstud/studentview/ as amended by Gazette of 18/06/18

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.12 as follows:

'The topic of the thesis will require approval by the chair of examiners. This thesis must be the work of the candidate alone and aid from others must be limited to prior discussion as to the subject and advice on presentation. The thesis (three copies) must be typewritten and delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, not later than noon on Thursday of Week Eight of Trinity Term. An electronic copy must also be submitted to the MSc in Refugee and Forced Migration Studies Coordinator, again by the date and time specified above. The thesis must be presented in proper scholarly form, in double-spacing and on one side only of quarte or A4 paper, each copy bound or held firmly in a stiff cover. The examiners shall retain a copy of all candidates' theses that achieve a distinction for deposit in the Social Sciences Library.'

2. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows:

'Each student must display an understanding of research methods relevant to forced migration. This will be in the form of a group essay of approximately, but no more than 5,000 words, based on directed field research conducted during a four-week period in Hilary Term. The essay will present findings and engage with topics which may include: epistemology of social science; social science paradigms; ethics and values; quantitative, qualitative, and participatory methods of data collection; the presentation of statistical information; research design; sampling theory; hypothesis testing; questionnaire design; participant observation; participatory learning and action; and evaluative research.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to the description of the methods essay. Students still undertake 4 weeks of field research, but the changes allow greater flexibility in the submission. The changes allow students to produce a submission not just based on the field research findings (primarily qualitative) but also drawing on methods training (which may also be quantitative).

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 12/07/17 and 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MSc Russian and East European Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change of assessment method for one paper and change to submission deadline

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbciraeasteurostud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Remove citation reference 1.1-1.7 and replace with the following:

'(See also the general notice at the commencement of these regulations.)

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

Candidates will be required to sit written examinations on two compulsory papers, to be taken in eighth week of Trinity Full Term:

- 1. An examination paper on Contemporary Russian and East European Studies Part 1.
- 2. An examination paper on Contemporary Russian and East European Studies Part 2.

Candidates will also be required to submit one extended essay on Twentieth Century Russian, Soviet and East European History of 4,500 words, excluding bibliography. Two copies of the extended essay should be submitted to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by 12 Noon Monday in the fifth week of Hilary Term. An electronic copy should also be submitted via WebLearn by the same deadline. The essay must be accompanied by a statement that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.

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 delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by 12 Noon on Monday in the seventh week of Trinity Term. The thesis must be accompanied by a statement that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. An electronic copy should also be submitted via WebLearn by the same deadline.

Candidates who fail one or more of the examination papers or extended essay will be permitted to retake it on one subsequent occasion the following year. Candidates who have initially failed any element of assessment shall not normally be eligible for the award of distinction.

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.

Methods Requirement. All candidates will be required to pass the Research Methods requirement related to Russian and East European Studies and to have achieved pass marks for the assessed components, as specified in the Notes of Guidance of the year of Matriculation of the Candidates. Two printed copies of each of the written items required for the methods requirement must be submitted to the Examination Schools, addressed to the Chair of Examiners for the MSc in Russian and East European Studies, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford at the times and days specified in the Notes of Guidance. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work.'

Explanatory Notes

Change of assessment for 'History of Russia, the USSR and Eastern Europe in the Twentieth Century' from written exam to submitted coursework.

Change of submission deadline for the dissertation from Friday of week 6 of Trinity Term to Monday of week 7.

The regulations have also been rewritten so as to bring the format into line with the MPhil Russian and East European Studies regulations.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MSc Taxation (Part-time)

Brief note about nature of change: removal of list of option papers and reference to distinction

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcit-p-time/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.2 as follows:
- '2. Candidates will be required to take a total of nine courses, comprised of three compulsory courses and six elective courses. The three compulsory courses are (i) Tax Principles and Policy, (ii) Principles of International Taxation and (iii) Tax Research Round Table.
- 3. The six elective courses must be taken from the list of courses prescribed in the Schedule-MSc Taxation handbook and/or examination conventions. The details of the electives are set out in the relevant Student Handbook and shall be determined by regulation by the M.Sc. Management Committee, which shall arrange lectures and courses of instruction for the assessment. In addition to the elective courses in the Schedule-MSc Taxation handbook and/or examination conventions, candidates may substitute one other course that may be approved by the M.Sc. Management Committee from time to time and notified to students by the end of the Monday of

week minus 1 of the Michaelmas Term of the year in which the assessment for the subject takes place.'

- 2. Amend citation reference 1.3 as follows:
- '34. Not all elective subjects courses will necessarily be taught or examined in any one year. Depending on the availability of teaching resources, the Law Faculty may limit the number of candidates who may take a subject course.'
- 3. Amend citation reference 1.4-1.9 as follows:
- '45. The assessment shall consist of (a) written examinations and (b) course assignments. Candidates must satisfy the examiners in the assessment associated with each component. Modes of assessment and submission dates will be published by one of the Directors of the M.Sc. in Taxation and distributed to all candidates in the first week of the Michaelmas Term of the academic year in which the assessment takes place. All course assignments shall be submitted electronically. On submitting the assignments, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration of authorship. Candidates will be contacted with details of how to submit the assignments.
- 56. The date for notification of the electives to be offered by candidates is the first week of the Michaelmas Term of each year in which the assessments for those electives take place. Save in exceptional circumstances, no student may change their choice of elective at a later date.
- 67. Candidates for the M.Sc. may, with permission, offer a dissertation to replace two electives, which must be written in English and must not exceed 12,000 words (including notes, but excluding bibliography and tables of cases or other legal sources) on a subject to be proposed by the candidate in consultation with the supervisor, and approved by one of the Directors of the M.Sc. in Taxation. The dissertation shall be wholly or substantially the result of work undertaken whilst registered for the Degree of Master of Science in Taxation. In deciding whether to give approval, the Director of the M.Sc. in Taxation shall take into account the suitability of the subject matter and availability of appropriate supervision. Candidates should submit the proposed title of the dissertation and a synopsis of its scope in not more than 500 words not later than noon on Monday of Week Zero of the candidate's fourth term of study to the administrator of the M.Sc. in Taxation. Once the topic and supervisor have been confirmed by or on behalf of a Director of the M.Sc. in Taxation, the M.Sc. Administrator will communicate that information to the student and Chair of the Examination Board for the Master of Science in Taxation.
- 78. The required format for this dissertation is the common format prescribed for all law theses, which is printed in the relevant Student Handbook.

- 89. No later than noon on Friday of the fifth week of the candidate's sixth term the dissertation should be submitted electronically via WebLearn. In order to ensure anonymity, the dissertation must bear the candidate's examination number but not the candidate's name nor the name of the candidate's college. The examiners shall exclude from consideration any part of the candidate's dissertation which is not the candidate's own work or which has been submitted to satisfy the requirements of another programme, and the examiners shall have power to require the candidate to produce for their inspection the work so submitted.
- 910. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in the assessment of any one of the components (other than the dissertation) may retake/resubmit the failed assessment only once, no more than six months after the release of results for the original piece of assessment. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in the dissertation may resubmit it on one, but no more than one, occasion which shall be by 12 noon on Thursday of Week 10 of the Hilary Term in the following year.'
- 4. Delete citation reference 1.10 as follows:
- '10. The examiners may award a distinction for overall excellence in the examination.'
- 5. Delete citation reference 1.11-1.26 as follows:

'Schedule: Elective Courses

- (i) Tax Treaties
- (ii) Transfer Pricing
- (iii) Value Added Tax
- (iv) EU Tax Law
- (v) Advanced EU Tax Law
- (vi) Taxation of Corporate Finance
- (vii) Comparative Tax Systems
- (viii) UK Corporate Tax
- (ix) Comparative Corporate Tax

- (x) US International Tax
- (xi) Ethical Issues in Tax Practice
- (xii) Tax and Accounting
- (xiii) Tax and Public Policy
- (xiv) Current Issues in Taxation
- (xv) Tax and Human Rights
- (xvi) Taxation of Global Wealth'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to remove list of option papers, which will be published to students in the handbook and conventions, and to remove reference to distinction, as it will now be covered in General Regulations.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MSc Teacher Education (Part-time)

Brief note about nature of change: change to resubmission deadline

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosbcite-p-time/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for all students on course

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.5 as follows:
 - '5. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in an assignment or in the research and development dissertation will be permitted to resubmit on one occasion only. The deadline for resubmission of unit assessments will be noon on the Monday falling 8 14 weeks after the initial submission date, following the term in which the unit is taken. To transfer successfully from the Postgraduate Diploma to the M.Sc. candidates must have passed both assessment units in the first year.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to deadline for resubmission of a failing assignment from 8 to 14 weeks after the initial submission date. Students receive their result 6 weeks after initial submission, meaning that currently they must resubmit within 2 weeks. As candidates on course are generally full-time professionals, this is unrealistic.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: Changes to deadlines for essay and dissertation title submission deadlines, and clarification of assessment methods for option papers

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mophilinarch/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first (qualifying) examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.8 as follows:
 - '(c) to offer a further subject chosen from Schedules A-D for the Master of Studies in Archaeology and which is normally taught in Michaelmas Term of the second year. [Candidates who offered a subject from Schedule C or D in the Qualifying Examination may not normally offer another subject from the same schedule.] The subject will be examined by two pre-set essays (each of no more than 5,000 words) regardless of the Schedule from which it has been selected present themselves for written examination in accordance with regulation 5 below in the Trinity Full Term of the academic year after that in which their name is first entered on the Register for M.Phil. students;'
- 2. Delete citation reference 1.10 as follows:
 - '5. The written examination in the second year of study shall comprise one further

subject chosen from Schedules A-D for the Master of Studies in Archaeology and which is normally taught in Michaelmas Term of the second year. [Candidates who offered a subject from Schedule C or D in the Qualifying Examination may not normally offer another subject from the same schedule.] The subjects will be examined by two pre-set essays (each of 5,000 words), except that further subjects from Schedule A in the M.St in Archaeology may also be examined by a written paper.'

3. Amend citation reference 1.11 as follows:

'65. The choice of subjects for examination and the thesis title must be approved by the candidate's supervisor and submitted for approval by the School of Archaeology Graduate Studies Committee by noon of the seventh week of Trinity Full Term of the academic year in which the candidate's name is first entered on the Register for M.Phil, students, and such approval, having regard to the candidate's previous experience and to the availability of teaching. Notice of the subject must be given to the Registrar (via Student Self Service) no later than Friday of the eighth week of the Michaelmas Full Term preceding the examination.'

4. Amend citation reference 1.12 as follows:

'76. Candidates will be expected to show sufficient general knowledge of the appropriate history and geography for a proper understanding of their subjects.'

5. Delete citation reference 1.13 as follows:

'8. The subject for examination and the chosen method of examination must be submitted for approval by the School of Archaeology Graduate Studies Committee in time for its meeting in eighth week of the Trinity Full Term of the academic year in which the candidate's name is first entered on the Register for M.Phil. students. Notice of the subject must be given to the Registrar no later than Friday of the eighth week of the Michaelmas Full Term preceding the examination.'

6. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows:

'97. Where options subjects are examined by pre-set essays (as specified in 54 above), candidates will propose essay topics in consultation with their supervisor or relevant course provider. The proposed essay titles, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval of the Chair of Examiners by no later than noon on Friday of the seventh eighth week of the term in which the instruction for that subject is given. Candidates must upload their preset essays to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site no later than noon on Monday of the first week of the term following that in which instruction for that subject was given. Essays should bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name. Any illustrations must be included in both copies.'

7. Delete citation reference 1.16 as follows:

'10. The proposed thesis title must be submitted for approval by the committee in time for its meeting in the eighth week of the Trinity Full Term of the year in which

the candidate's name is first entered on the Register for M.Phil. students.'

- 8. Amend citation reference 1.17 as follows:
 - '448. Candidates are advised that adequate reading knowledge of an appropriate language or languages (other than English) may be necessary to reach the standard required by the examiners.'
- 9. Amend citation reference 1.18 as follows:
 - '129. Candidates will be required to deposit one copy of the thesis with the Examination Schools. Successful candidates will be required to deposit one hard copy of the thesis in the Sackler Library or the Balfour Library, as directed by the examiners. Such candidates will be required to complete a form stating whether they give permission for their thesis to be consulted.'
- 10. Amend citation reference 1.19 as follows:
 - '103. Candidates whose work in the Final Examination is judged by the Examiners not to be of the standard required for the degree of M.Phil. in Archaeology but whose work in the Qualifying Examination nevertheless reached the standard required for the degree of M.St in Archaeology, may be offered the option of resitting the M.Phil. Examination under the General Regulations § 2, cl. 4, or of being granted permission to supplicate for the degree of Master of Studies in Archaeology.'
- 11. Delete citation reference 1.20 as follows:
 - '14. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to deadlines for essay and dissertation title submission deadlines, clarification of assessment methods for option papers (currently wording refers to 'written exam' when the assessment is written coursework), and reordering of some information.

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SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Classical Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: Change to deadline for title submissions, updates to lists of option papers, and change to Schedules students choose options from

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopinclasarch/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first (qualifying) examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:

'(a) to satisfy the examiners in a Qualifying Examination identical with that for the degree of Master of Studies in Classical Archaeology and governed by regulations 5-9 for that degree, in the Trinity Full Term of the academic year in which their name is first entered on the Register of M.Phil. students except that under regulation 5(b) of that degree a 10,000 word dissertation of not more than 10,000 words may not normally be offered in place of one of the subject options (examined by two pre-set essays). In the case of failure in one part of the qualifying examination, the candidate will have the same rights of resubmission as for the M.St in Classical Archaeology and, if successful, will be granted permission to supplicate for the degree of M.St in Classical Archaeology but will not be permitted to proceed to the second year of the M.Phil. in Classical Archaeology. Candidates whose work in the Qualifying Examination is judged by the examiners to be of the standard required for the degree of M.St. in Classical Archaeology but not of the standard required to proceed to the second year of the M.Phil. in Classical Archaeology, will be granted permission to supplicate for the degree of Master of Studies in Classical Archaeology;'

2. Amend citation reference 1.8 as follows:

'(c) to offer a further subject chosen from Schedules B-C for the Master of Studies in Classical Archaeology to be examined by two pre-set essays each of not more than 5,000 words. [Candidates who offered a subject from Schedule C in the qualifying examination may not normally offer another subject from Schedule C] present themselves for written examination in accordance with regulation 5 below in the Trinity Full Term of the academic year after that in which their name is first entered on the Register for M.Phil. students;'

3. Delete citation reference 1.10 as follows:

⁴5. The written examination in the second year shall comprise one subject chosen from Schedules A C for the Master of Studies in Classical Archaeology to be examined by two preset essays each of 5,000 words. [Candidates who offered a subject from Schedule C in the qualifying examination may not normally offer another subject from Schedule C.]

4. Amend citation reference 1.11 as follows:

'65. The choice of subjects for thesis and examination <u>pre-set essays</u> must be approved by the candidate's supervisor and by the Graduate Studies Committee of the School of Archaeology, having regard to the candidate's previous experience and to the availability of teaching.'

5. Amend citation reference 1.12 as follows:

⁴76. Candidates will be expected to show sufficient general knowledge of Ancient History and Geography for a proper understanding of their periods and subjects.'

6. Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:

'87. The period or subject for examination must be submitted for approval by the Graduate Studies Committee of the School of Archaeology, in time for its meeting in the eighth by noon of Friday of seventh week of the Trinity Full Term of the academic year in which the candidate's name is first entered on the Register for M.Phil. students. Notice of the period or subject to be offered by each candidates must be given to the Registrar (via Student Self Service) not later than Friday of the eighth week of the Michaelmas Term preceding the examination that same term.'

7. Amend citation reference 1.14 as follows:

'98. Where options are being examined by pre-set essays (as specified in 5-4(c) above), candidates will propose essay topics in consultation with their supervisor or relevant course provider. The proposed essay titles, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval to the Chair of Examiners by no later than noon on Friday of the seventh eighth week of the term in which the instruction for that subject is given. Candidates must upload their essays to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site by no later than noon on the Monday of the first week of the term following that in which the instruction for that subject was given to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford. Essays must bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name.'

8. Amend citation reference 1.15 as follows:

'With respect to <u>pre-set</u> essays an theses, only the file submitted via WebLearn constitutes a valid submission, no concomitant hard-copy submission may be submitted for any purpose. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating that it is the candidate's own work.'

9. Amend citation reference 1.16 as follows:

'109. The proposed thesis title must be submitted for approval by the committee in time for its meeting in the eighth week of the Trinity Term of the year in which the candidate's name is first entered on the Register for M.Phil. students. The finalised thesis title must be submitted to the Chair of Examiners by no later than noon on Friday of the eighth week in Hilary Term in the academic year after that in which their name is first entered on the Register for M.Phil. students.'

10. Amend citation reference 1.17 as follows:

'101. Candidates are advised that adequate reading knowledge of an appropriate language or languages (other than English) may be necessary to reach the standard required by the examiners.'

11. Amend citation reference 1.18 as follows:

⁴112. Candidates will be required to deposit one copy of the thesis with the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford. Successful candidates will be required to deposit one copy of the thesis in the Sackler Library. Such candidates will be required to complete a form stating whether they give permission for their thesis to be consulted.'

12. Amend citation reference 1.19 as follows:

'123. In the case of failure in just one part of the final examination, the candidate will be permitted to retake that part of the examination on one further occasion, not later than one year after the initial attempt. Written papers would be retaken the following year. A candidate who is not judged to have reached the standard required for the degree of Master of Philosophy in Classical Archaeology but whose examinations fulfil the requirements of the M.St in Classical Archaeology may be granted permission to supplicate for the degree of M.St in Classical Archaeology.'

13. Delete citation reference 1.20 as follows:

'14. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to deadline for title submissions, updates to lists of option papers, and change to Schedules students choose options from. Currently the regulations state that students can choose from Schedules A-C, the change will require students to choose from B-C. The change is to update the regulations with current practice.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Evidence-Based Social Intervention and Policy Evaluation

Brief note about nature of change: clarification of option papers

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopie-bsiape-ebsi/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first (qualifying) examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.3 as follows:

'Every candidate must pass a qualifying test at the end of Trinity Full Term in the *two* compulsory papers, either *Evidence-Based Social Intervention* or *Policy Evaluation*, and *Evaluation Methods* and one *Optional Paper* from the list of optional papers published annually by Friday of the sixth week of Michaelmas Full Term in the Department of Social Policy and Intervention. The examiners may examine candidates viva voce <u>if required</u>. Candidates who fail the qualifying test will be allowed to retake the test <u>once</u> before the beginning of the first week of the next academic year. The Social Policy and Intervention Graduate Studies Committee can decide that the retake shall consist of the whole test or parts thereof.'

2. Amend citation reference 1.6 as follows:

'(i)-i. One further optional paper, also examined by a three-hour unseen written exam. This will be from a list published annually by Friday of the sixth week of

Michaelmas Full Term in the Department of Social Policy and Intervention.

<u>Candidates are expected to take options offered through the EBSIPE course. Only in exceptional circumstances and with the special permission of the Course Director, the optional paper may be from subjects outside this list.'</u>

3. Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:

'(ii) <u>ii.</u> One research thesis on a topic related to and attentive to the evidence-based social intervention, policy evaluation or evaluation methods. The subject of the thesis must be approved by the supervisor on behalf of the Department and it should not exceed 30,000 words in length. The thesis must be submitted via WebLearn by noon of Friday of the sixth week of Trinity Full Term in which the examination is to be taken. The thesis must be anonymous, and submitted in Word format. Successful candidates may be required to deposit a hard copy of their thesis in the Social Sciences Library.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to clarify that students are expected to take EBSIPE option papers unless in exceptional circumstances.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 05/07/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Japanese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to name of School

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopinjapastud/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.1 as follows:

'1. The Course shall be under the supervision of the Japanese Studies Committee. The Course Director will, where possible, rotate between members of the Faculty of Oriental Studies and the Oxford School of Global and Interdisciplinary Area Studies.'

Explanatory Notes

Updates to the regulations in line with the change of name for the School.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by the Divisional Board on 08/06/18 and Education Committee on 09/07/18

Title of Programme

Regulations for Degrees of Master of Philosophy in Law and Master of Philosophy in Socio-Legal Research

Brief note about nature of change: Introduction of revised regulations for the MPhil in Law and regulations for the new MPhil in Socio-Legal Research

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017*, after 'General Regulations Governing Research Degrees'

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination in 2017-18

Detail of change

Insert text as follows after "General Regulations Governing Research Degrees" section:

- '1. The MPhil in Law and the MPhil in Socio-Legal Research shall be under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Law.
- 2. Any person who has been admitted as a candidate for the MPhil in Law or the MPhil in Socio-Legal Research under the provisions of this section, and has satisfied the examiners in the examination prescribed in this section, may supplicate for the MPhil in Law or the MPhil in Socio-Legal Research as the case may be.
- 3. Candidates who are not graduates of the University may wear the same gown as that worn by candidates studying for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy.
- 4. Candidates must keep statutory residence for three terms and may hold status for a

maximum of six terms.

5. Candidates wishing to enter for the MPhil in Law or the MPhil in Socio-Legal Research as provided for under these regulations in the academic year 2017-18 are only permitted to do so if they were originally admitted for the MSt Legal Research or MSt Socio-Legal Research AND commenced their studies on the relevant MSt programme in Michaelmas term 2017. Candidates admitted directly to the MPhil in Law in Michaelmas term 2017 may ONLY be examined for the MPhil in Law in accordance with the regulations for Degrees in Civil Law, Magister Juris, and Master of Philosophy in Law (http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/dicl-mjamophilinlawx/).

Suspension of status

6. If, for good cause, a student is temporarily unable to carry out their research, the Graduate Studies Committee may grant them a request for a temporary suspension of status, for not less than one and not more than three terms at any one time. Applications for suspension of status should be made to the Graduate Studies Administrator; and should be accompanied by statements of support from a student's supervisor and society. No student may be granted more than three terms' suspension of status in this way.

Termination of status

7. A student shall cease to hold the status of Student for the Master of Philosophy in Law/Socio-Legal Research through failure to meet the requirements laid down in these regulations including failure to meet the requirements within the maximum terms permitted for completion.

Reinstatement

8. A student who has withdrawn or who has been withdrawn may apply for reinstatement within two years of their status ceasing. Such applications shall be addressed by the former student to the Graduate Studies Committee, and shall be accompanied by written statements commenting on the application from the candidate's society and from the former supervisor. The Graduate Studies Committee shall reach a decision on such applications and shall determine the date from which any reinstatement granted under these provisions shall be effective. No reinstatement may be granted under these provisions if the student has already held MPhil status for six terms.

Students with Disabilities

9. Students with disabilities may apply for alternative arrangements in accordance with the provisions of section 6 of the General Regulations Governing Research Degrees. The list of degrees in clause 3 of section 6 shall include the MPhil in Law and the MPhil in Socio-Legal Research for this purpose.

Transfer to the MPhil in Law or MPhil in Socio-Legal Research

10. A candidate holding the status of Probationer Research Student or the status of a candidate for another postgraduate degree within the University may, with the approval of the Graduate Studies Committee, be admitted as a candidate for the MPhil in Law or MPhil in Socio-Legal Research. Time spent as a candidate holding the previous status shall count as time spent working for the relevant qualification.

Research methodology

11. Candidates must follow a suitable course of instruction in Research Methodology appropriate to the qualification and must satisfy the examiners that they have completed to the required standard such tests or exercises as may be prescribed by the Graduate Studies Committee. Where the Graduate Studies Committee judges that it has sufficient evidence of a candidate's proficiency in Research Methodology, it may in exceptional circumstances dispense a candidate from this requirement.

Supervision

- 12. MPhil students shall be placed by the Graduate Studies Committee under the supervision of a member of the University or other competent person selected by the board, and the board shall have power for sufficient reason to change the supervisor of any student or to arrange for joint supervision by more than one supervisor, if it deems it necessary.
- 13. It shall be the duty of a supervisor to advise a student as to the courses of instruction and classes, if any, which they should attend, and generally to direct and superintend the student's work.
- 14. The supervisor shall submit a report on the progress of the student to the board three times each year, and at any other time when the board so requests or the supervisor deems it expedient; and shall undertake such other duties as shall be from time to time set out in the relevant Policy and Guidance issued by the Education Committee. The supervisor shall communicate the contents of the report to the student on each occasion that a report is made, so that the student is aware of the supervisor's assessment of their work during the period in question.

Subject of research

15. Any student may, with the permission of the board, alter the subject of their research providing the new topic is deemed to be academically viable and the student is deemed capable of completing a thesis on the topic; and providing the Faculty has the necessary resources to provide supervision.

Examination requirements

16. Examination for the Degree shall be by thesis, and by oral examination. The thesis must not exceed 30,000 words and should not normally be less than 25,000 words in length

(the limit to include all notes but to exclude all tables and the bibliography, and the candidate should state the number of words in the thesis to the nearest hundred words). The thesis shall be wholly or substantially the result of work undertaken whilst registered for the degree of MPhil in Law or the MPhil in Socio-Legal Research, except that a candidate may make application for a dispensation from this requirement to the Education Committee. It may cover the same area of Law as a dissertation offered in the BCL or MJur or MSc in Law and Finance, but the text of the dissertation must not be incorporated into the thesis.

17. Theses shall be prepared in accordance with Section 7 clause 2 (i)-(iii) and (vii) of the General Regulations Governing Research Degrees with appropriate amendments.

Appointment of examiners

18. By noon on Friday of Week 1 of Trinity Term, candidates must submit to the Graduate Studies Administrator for Law an application for appointment of examiners, signed by the candidate, their supervisor, and college. The choice of examiners should be made in consultation with the supervisor and one of the examiners should normally be external to the University.

Submission requirements for the MPhil in Law

19. Candidates must submit two copies of the thesis to the Examination Schools by noon on 1st August (or by noon on the preceding Friday, if 1st August falls on a weekend). This must be accompanied by a statement as to what part, if any, of the thesis has already been accepted, or is being concurrently submitted, for any degree in this University or elsewhere; and a statement that the thesis is the candidate's own work, except where otherwise indicated.

Submission requirements for the MPhil in Socio-Legal Research

20. Candidates must submit two copies of the thesis to the Examination Schools by noon on the second Friday in September, together with a statement as to what part, if any, of the thesis has already been accepted, or is being concurrently submitted, for any degree in this University or elsewhere; and a statement that the thesis is the candidate's own work, except where otherwise indicated.

Examination of theses

- 21. The examiners shall consider the thesis excluding any part which has already been accepted, or is being concurrently submitted, for any degree in this University or elsewhere.
- 22. If a thesis exceeds the permitted length, the board concerned may decline to appoint examiners or to forward the thesis to examiners already appointed, and may return it to the candidate for revision. If the examiners find that a thesis which has been forwarded to them exceeds the permitted length, they should report the fact to the relevant board and await further instructions before proceeding with the examination.

23. The examiners must satisfy themselves that the thesis affords evidence of serious study by the candidate and of the ability to discuss a difficult problem critically; that the candidate possesses a good general knowledge of the field of learning within which the subject of the thesis falls; that the thesis is presented in a lucid and scholarly manner, and that the candidate has made a worthwhile contribution to knowledge or understanding in the field of learning within which the subject of the thesis falls to the extent that could reasonably be expected within the time normally spent as a candidate for the Degree.

Conduct of oral examinations

24. Candidates will be required to attend an oral examination which shall be conducted in accordance with Section 7 clause 3 of the General Regulations Governing Research Degrees except that clause 3. (v) shall not apply.

Outcome of the examination

- 25. The examiners shall write a report and make one of the following recommendations to the Graduate Studies Committee:
 - (i) that the candidate be awarded the Degree;
 - (ii) that the candidate be awarded the Degree with Distinction; or
 - (iii) that the thesis be referred for revision, and the candidate given the opportunity to re-submit for the Degree within one further term.
- 26. Candidates who wish to re-submit for the Degree after referral must submit a further application for appointment of examiners and two copies of the revised thesis. The procedures for the first submission will apply, except that the deadline for both submission of the thesis and the application for appointment of examiners will be the final day of the candidate's fourth term.
- 27. The examiners shall conduct a second examination under the terms outlined in clauses 21-24 above, except that they may exempt a candidate from oral examination if they are satisfied that they can recommend to the board that the candidate has reached the standard required for the Degree without an oral examination.
- 28. On the occasion of the second examination, the examiners shall write a report and make one of the following recommendations to the Graduate Studies Committee.
 - (i) that the candidate be awarded the Degree;
 - (ii) that the candidate be deemed to have failed the requirements of the Degree.
- 29. Candidates are not required to a submit hard bound copy of a successful thesis to the Bodleian, but if they wish to do so, they must first undertake any minor corrections identified by the examiners, and submit a corrected copy of the thesis for approval by the internal

examiner before depositing the Bodleian copy.'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of revised regulations for the MPhil in Law including a new submission date, and regulations for the new MPhil in Socio-Legal Research. These regulations are being introduced with effect from the academic year 2017-18 to permit students currently studying for the MSt Legal Research and MSt Socio-Legal Research to change programme to the relevant MPhil degree if they wish and if they will submit their thesis during 2017-18.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by the Divisional Board on 08/06/18 and Education Committee on 09/07/18

Title of Programme

Regulations for Degrees of Master of Philosophy in Law and Master of Philosophy in Socio-Legal Research

Brief note about nature of change: Removal of time limited paragraph

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017*, Regulations for Degrees of Master of Philosophy in Law and Master of Philosophy in Socio-Legal Research (as introduced in separate notice in this Gazette)

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination in 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Delete text as follows:
- 5. Candidates wishing to enter for the MPhil in Law or the MPhil in Socio-Legal Research as provided for under these regulations in the academic year 2017-18 are only permitted to do so if they were originally admitted for the MSt Legal Research or MSt Socio-Legal Research AND commenced their studies on the relevant MSt programme in Michaelmas term 2017. Candidates admitted directly to the MPhil in Law in Michaelmas term 2017 may ONLY be examined for the MPhil in Law in accordance with the regulations for Degrees in Civil Law, Magister Juris, and Master of Philosophy in Law

(http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/dicl-mjamophilinlawx/).

- 2. Renumber subsequent clauses accordingly.
- 3. Amend clause 27 as follows, deleted text struck through, inserted text underlined:

2726. The examiners shall conduct a second examination under the terms outlined in clauses 21-24 20-23 above, except that they may exempt a candidate from oral examination if they are satisfied that they can recommend to the board that the candidate has reached the standard required for the Degree without an oral examination.

Explanatory Notes

Revised regulations for the MPhil in Law including a new submission date, and regulations for the new MPhil in Socio-Legal Research have been introduced. These regulations are being introduced with effect from the academic year 2017-18 to permit students currently studying for the MSt Legal Research and MSt Socio-Legal Research to change programme to the relevant MPhil degree if they wish and if they will submit their thesis during 2017-18. This notice removes a time limited clause that makes clear that the new MPhil Law regulations only apply to those MPhil Law candidates who were originally admitted to the MSt Legal Research in MT 2017. From MT18 all MPhil Law and MPhil Socio-Legal Research candidates will be working towards those qualifications in accordance with the Regulations for Degrees of Master of Philosophy in Law and Master of Philosophy in Socio-Legal Research

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by the Social Sciences Divisional Board on 05/05/2017 and Education Committee on 13/07/2017

Title of Programme

Master of Philosophy in Law

Brief note about nature of change: Removal of regulations as they are being moved to a new section

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mophilinlaw/studentview/

Effective date

With effect from MT 2018

Detail of change

Delete citation reference 1.1 and course title.

Explanatory Notes

This is a holding page for the MPhil in Law. The existing MPhil Law regulations are given in the regulations for Degrees in Civil Law, Magister Juris, and Master of Philosophy in Law (http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/dicl-mjamophilinlawx/). The regulations for the revised MPhil in Law will have a separate page in the Examination Regulations covering the regulations for the MPhil in Law and the MPhil in Socio-Legal Research (see separate *Gazette* notice).

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 05/07/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Modern Chinese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change to name of School

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopinmodechinstud/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.1 as follows:

'1. The Course shall be under the supervision of the Chinese Studies Committee. The Course Director will, where possible, rotate between members of the Faculty of Oriental Studies and the Oxford_School of Interdisciplinary Global and Area Studies.'

Explanatory Notes

Updates to the regulations in line with the change of name for the School.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 12/07/17 and 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MPhil Russian and East European Studies

Brief note about nature of change: change of assessment method for one paper

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopiraeasteurostud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first (qualifying) examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Remove citation reference 1.1-1.14 and replace with the following:

'(See also the general notice at the commencement of these regulations.)

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

First year examinations

Candidates will be required to sit written examinations on two compulsory papers, to be taken in the eighth week of Trinity Full Term at the end of the first year of the course:

- 1. An examination paper on Contemporary Russian and East European Studies Part 1.
- 2. An examination paper on Contemporary Russian and East European Studies Part 2.

Candidates will also be required to submit one extended essay on Twentieth Century Russian, Soviet and East European History of 4,500 words, excluding bibliography. Two copies of the extended essay should be submitted to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by 12 Noon Monday in the fifth week of Hilary Term in the first year of the course. An electronic copy should also be submitted to the programme by the same deadline. The essay must be accompanied by a statement that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.

All candidates will also be required to have demonstrated competence in Methods and Language as specified in Methods Requirement and Language Requirement.

Methods Requirement. All candidates will be required to pass the Research Methods requirement related to Russian and East European Studies and to have achieved pass marks for the assessed components, as specified in the Notes of Guidance of the year of Matriculation of the Candidates. Two printed copies of each of the written items required for the methods requirement must be submitted to the Examination Schools, addressed to the Chair of Examiners for the MPhil in Russian and East European Studies, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford at the times and days specified in the Notes of Guidance. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work.

Language Requirement. All candidates will be required to pass a language qualifying exam on the region, which is in Russian. The specific arrangements for the provision and methods of assessment of language training are governed by the Examination Conventions and Notes of Guidance of the year of matriculation of the candidates.

Candidates who pass these qualifying papers and the extended essay may proceed to the second year of the course and take the final examination at the end of the second year. Candidates who fail one or more of the examination papers or the extended essay may, by permission of the Russian and East European Studies Management Committee, proceed to the second year of the course and re-sit the failed papers on one subsequent occasion during the final examination. Candidates who have initially failed any element of assessment shall not normally be eligible for the award of distinction.

Final Examination

The final examination shall consist of:

- (a) a thesis of at least 25,000 words but not more than 30,000 words on a subject approved by the Management Committee for Russian and East European Studies, to be delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by 12 Noon on Monday in the fourth week of Trinity Term in which the final examination is taken. The thesis must be accompanied by a statement that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. An electronic copy should also be submitted to the Programme by the same deadline.
 - (b) two subjects (optional courses) chosen from a list, which is approved annually by
 the Russian and East European Studies Management Committee. The selection of
 subjects has to be approved by the Russian and East European Studies
 Management Committee in Trinity Term, Year 1. A candidate who fails the Final
 Examination may enter again, on one subsequent occasion, usually in Trinity
 Term, provided that this is still within the twelve terms of his or her registration.'

Explanatory Notes

Change of assessment for 'History of Russia, the USSR and Eastern Europe in the Twentieth Century' from written exam to submitted coursework.

Changes to the format and language of the regulations have also been made for clarity.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MSt Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: Changes to deadlines for essay and dissertation title submission deadlines, and updates to list of option papers

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mostudinarch/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:
 - '(b) one further subject selected from Schedules B–D, to be examined by two preset essays (each of <u>no more than 5,000 words</u>). Candidates will propose essay topics in consultation with their supervisor or relevant course provider. The proposed essay titles, <u>countersigned duly approved</u> by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval of the Chair of Examiners by no later than noon on Friday of the <u>seventh eighth</u> week of the term in which the instruction for that subject is given. Candidates must upload their essays to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site by not later than noon on Monday of the first week of the term following that in which the instruction for that subject was given.
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:

'The title of the dissertation must be approved by the candidate's supervisor and by

the School of Archaeology's Graduate Studies Committee Chair of Examiners. The proposed dissertation topic and provisional title, duly approved by the supervisor, must be submitted to the Chair of Examiners no later than noon on Friday of the first week of Hilary Term. The final dissertation title, duly approved by the supervisor, must be submitted to the Chair of Examiners by noon on Friday of the first week of Trinity Term. The topic of the dissertation must be clearly distinct from the topics covered by pre-set essays submitted by the candidate under 5(b). The title of the dissertation must be clearly distinct from the pre-set essay titles. The dissertation must be the work of the candidate alone, and aid from others must be limited to prior discussion of the subject, bibliographic advice, help with access to study material and advice on presentation. The dissertation must be a new piece of work, substantially different from any dissertation previously submitted by the candidate for a degree of this or another university. When the dissertation is submitted, it must be accompanied by a statement, signed by the candidate, confirming that these conditions have been met. The proposed title of the dissertation, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval by the committee by noon on the Tuesday of the eighth week of the Michaelmas Full Term preceding the examination. Candidates must upload their dissertations to the Assisgnments section of the course WebLearn site not later than noon on the Friday of the sixth week of Trinity Full Term and should bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name. Candidates will be required to deposit one copy of the dissertation with the Examination Schools.'

3. Amend citation reference 1.11-1.20 as follows:

'Schedule A: Core Papers subjects

Ancient Maritime Societies

Archaeological Method and Theory

Archaeology of Eurasia Chinese Archaeology

Environmental Archaeology

European Prehistory from the Mesolithic to the Bronze Age

Europe in the Early Middle Ages A.D. 400-900

Landscape Archaeology and Spatial Technology

Transformation of the Celtic World 500 BC-A.D. 100

Visual Cultures of the Ancient World

Not all Core Papers subjects may be available in any given year.'

4. Amend citation reference 1.21-1.45 as follows:

'Archaeology of Colonialism Archaeology of Eurasia Archaeology of Early Anglo-Saxon England Archaeology of Late Anglo-Saxon England Archaeology and Geographical Information Systems Archaeology and Material Culture Archaeology of Southern African Hunter-gatherers Body and Adornment Material Culture of Later Medieval Britain, A.D. 1000-1500 Chinese Archaeology City, country and economy in the Late Roman Empire (fourth-seventh centuries A.D.) Coinage and Society in Anglo-Saxon England Cultural Heritage and Law: History Farming and States in Sub-Saharan Africa Formation of the Islamic World Hunter-gatherers in World Perspective Interdisciplinary Approaches to Chinese Ceramics: From Early Vessels to Export Wares Maritime Archaeology up to A.D. 1000 Methods and Techniques in Maritime Archaeology Object Analysis and Research Methods Palaeolithic and Mesolithic Europe Palaeolithic Archaeology Palaeolithic Asia Practical Archaeobotany Regional studies in Australian and Pacific prehistory

Topics in Aegean Prehistory

Not all Core Papers Schedule B Options may be available in any given year.'

- 5. Amend citation reference 1.51 as follows:
 - '8. The subjects to be offered by the candidates and their method of examination, duly approved by their supervisors, must be submitted for approval to the School of Archaeology's Graduate Studies Committee in time for its meeting in eighth by noon of Friday of seventh week of the Michaelmas Full Term preceding the examination. Notice of options subjects to be offered by candidates must be given to the Registrar (via Student Self Service) not later than Friday of the eighth week of that same term.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to deadlines for submission of essay and dissertation titles and to update the list of option papers. One option has been renamed from 'Interdisciplinary Approaches to Chinese Ceramics' to 'Chinese Archaeology – no content change – and moved to the core subjects list. One option paper, 'Archaeology of Eurasia' has been moved to the options list. Six option papers are no longer running.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

MSt Classical Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: Change to deadline for title submissions, updates to lists of option papers, and change to Schedules students choose options from

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosinclasarch/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:
 - '(b) two subjects selected from Schedules AB-C [not more than one subject may normally be taken from Schedule C] examined by two pre-set essays (each of not more than 5,000 words).'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:

The topic of the dissertation must be approved by the candidate's supervisor and by the School of Archaeology Committee for Graduate Studies. The topic of the dissertation must be clearly distinct from the topics covered by other pre-set essay titles submitted by the candidate under 5(b). The dissertation must be the work of the candidate alone, and aid from others must be limited to prior discussion of the subject, bibliographic advice, help with access to study material and advice on presentation. The dissertation must be a new piece of work, substantially different

from any dissertation previously submitted by the candidate for a degree of this or another university. When the dissertation is submitted, it must be accompanied by a statement, signed by the candidate, confirming that these conditions have been met. The proposed title of the dissertation, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval by the committee by noon on the Tuesday of the eighth seventh week of the Michaelmas Full Term preceding the examination. Candidates must upload their dissertation to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site no later than noon on the Monday of the fifth week of Trinity Full Term and should bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name.'

3. Amend citation reference 1.12 as follows:

'Archaic, <u>8700</u>-480 BC'

4. Amend citation reference 1.31 as follows:

'Achaeology Archaeology of Athens and Attica 600-50 BC'

5. Amend citation reference 1.36 as follows:

'Greek and Roman wall painting wallpainting

History of collections: classical art

Historical narrative in Hellenistic and Roman art'

6. Amend citation reference 1.37 as follows:

'Roman sculpture

Roman Portraits

Roman Provincial Art

Historical narrative in Hellenistic and Roman art'

7. Delete citation reference 1.55-1.57 as follows:

'History of collections: classical art

Roman Portraits

Roman Provincial Art'

- 8. Amend citation reference 1.63 as follows:
 - '8. The period and subjects to be offered by candidates and their chosen method of examination, duly approved by their supervisors, must be submitted for approval to the <u>Graduate Studies eCommittee of the School of Archaeology in time for its</u> meeting in eighth by noon of Friday of seventh week of the Michaelmas Full Term preceding the examination. Notice of options subjects to be offered by candidates

must be given to the Registrar (via Student Self Service) not later than Friday of the eighth week of that same term.'

- 9. Amend citation reference 1.64 as follows:
 - '9. Candidates offering pairs of pre-set essays will propose essay topics in consultation with their supervisor or relevant course provider. The proposed essay titles, countersigned by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval of the Chair of Examiners by no later than noon on Friday of the seventh eighth week of the term in which the instruction for that subject is given. Candidates must upload their preset essays to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site no later than noon on Monday of the first week of the term following that in which the instruction for that subject was given. Essays should bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name.'
- 10. Delete citation reference 1.66 as follows:
 - '10. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'
- 11. Amend citation reference 1.67 as follows:

'104. In the case of failure in just one part of the examination, the candidate will be permitted to retake that part of the examination on one further occasion, not later than one year after the initial attempt. Written papers would be retaken the following year.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to deadline for title submissions, updates to lists of option papers, and change to Schedules students choose options from. Currently the regulations state that students can choose from Schedules A-C, the change will require students to choose from B-C. The change is to update the regulations with current practice.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by the Divisional Board on 05/05/17 and Education Committee on 13/07/17

Title of Programme

Master of Studies in Legal Research/Socio-Legal Research

Brief note about nature of change: Closure of programmes

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mosilr-legarese/studentview/

Effective date

With effect from students starting in MT 2018

Detail of change

Delete citation reference 1.1 to 1.21 and course title.

Explanatory Notes

These programmes have been replaced by a revised version of the MPhil in Law and the new MPhil in Socio-Legal Research. The last intake for these courses started in MT 2017.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/05/18

Title of Programme

Master of Business Administration (Full-time)

Brief note about nature of change: change to core course title

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mofbusiadmi/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 1.45 as follows:

'(f) Leadership Fundamentals Organisational Behaviour'

Explanatory Notes

Change to core course title, but not content. New title more accurately describes current content of the course and is more in line with terminology used at other business schools.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 07/06/2018

Title of Programme

Regulations for the Degrees of Bachelor of Civil Law and Magister Juris

Brief note about nature of change: Introduction of revised regulations for the Bachelor of Civil Law and the Magister Juris

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2017*, after 'Regulations for the Degree of Master of Public Policy'

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination in 2018-19

Detail of change

Insert text as follows after "Regulations for the Degree of Master of Public Policy":

- '1. The Bachelor of Civil Law and the Magister Juris shall be under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Law.
- 2. Candidates whose previous qualifications are primarily in the common law will normally be admitted to the BCL. Candidates whose previous qualifications are not primarily in the common law will normally be admitted to the MJur.
- 3. Any person who has been admitted as a candidate for the BCL or the MJur under the provisions of this section, has kept statutory residence for three terms, and has satisfied the examiners in the examination prescribed in this section, may supplicate for the BCL or the MJur as the case may be.
- 4. Candidates who are not graduates of the University may wear the same gown as that worn by candidates studying for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy.
- 5. No full-time student shall be admitted as a candidate for examination for the degree until they shall have spent at least three terms at work in Oxford after their admission as a student for the degree; time spent outside Oxford during term as

part of an academic programme approved by Council shall count towards residence for the purpose of this clause.

- 6. Students shall follow a course of instruction comprising four options chosen from the lists set out in the Handbook for BCL and MJur students. Not all options will be available in every year.
- 7. Options shall appear under two lists: BCL candidates must choose four options from List I; MJur students must choose either four options from List I or three options from List I and one option from List II. The form of assessment for each option will be specified in the subject description appearing in the Handbook, and examination conventions. No candidate may offer a subject which they have previously offered in the Final Honour School of Jurisprudence or Diploma in Legal Studies.
- 8. Candidates will enter for their examinations in accordance with Part 9 of the Regulations for the Conduct of University Examinations. Only in exceptional circumstances may a candidate change their choice of examination paper entries after Friday of Week 1 of Hilary Term.
- 9. Details of the statutes and other source material which will be available to candidates in the examination room for certain papers will be given in the examination conventions.
- 10. For both the BCL and the MJur candidates may substitute a dissertation for one option. The dissertation shall be wholly or substantially the result of work undertaken whilst registered for the BCL or MJur and must not exceed 12,500 words and should not normally be less than 10,000 words (including footnotes, but excluding bibliography, tables of cases or other legal sources). Candidates should submit the proposed title of the dissertation and a synopsis of its scope in not more than 500 words not later than Friday of Week 1 of Michaelmas Term to the BCL/MJur Course Administrator. In deciding whether to give approval, the Graduate Studies Committee shall take into account the suitability of the subject matter and availability of appropriate supervision. The required format for the dissertation is set out in the BCL and MJur Handbook. The dissertation must be submitted electronically to the BCL/MJur WebLearn site by noon on Thursday of Week 5 of Trinity Term with an online declaration of authorship. The examiners shall exclude from consideration any part of the dissertation which is not the candidate's own work or which has been or will be submitted to satisfy the requirements of another course.
- 11. The examiners may award a merit for work of particularly high quality in the whole examination or a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.
- 12. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners may enter for the failed elements on one further occasion only, usually within one year of the initial failure. Candidates who fail the dissertation may resubmit by the deadline in clause 10. in the following year.'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of a revised version of the regulations for the BCL/MJur incorporating a series of house-keeping and presentational changes, and moving listings of options to the Handbook. These programmes are being given a separate page in the *Examination Regulations* and will no longer be combined with the regulations for the DCL or the MPhil in Law.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee on 01/06/18

Title of Programme

Honour School of Geography

Brief note about nature of change: change to allow submission of non-textual materials

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/hschoofgeog/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting FHS from MT 2018

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.28 as follows:
 - '1. A fieldwork report of 4,500 words based on research undertaken as part of the field trip during Trinity Term of the year in which a candidate is admitted to the Honour School. Non-textual and multimedia materials shall not constitute more than ten minutes of viewing/reading time. The requirements for the fieldwork report will be published on the departmental website at the beginning of Michaelmas Full Term in the year in which the candidate is admitted to the Honour School. The fieldwork report must be submitted no later than 12 noon on the Friday in the eighth week of Trinity Term in the year preceding that in which they propose to take the examination.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.30 as follows:

'The Dissertation, exclusive of bibliography, maps, and statistical appendices, must not be more than 12,000 words. Non-textual and multimedia materials shall not

constitute more than ten minutes of viewing/reading time. The attention of candidates is drawn to the fact that limited rather than large areas are more likely to allow for adequate depth of study. The Dissertation should embody original practical work based on primary data (e.g. data collected in the field, archival materials, census data, etc.), and not be based on secondary material (e.g. text books, published local histories, published papers in learned journals, government or local government reports).'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to allow students to optionally submit non-textual or multimedia materials with fieldwork reports and dissertations.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

Honour School of Jurisprudence (Course 2)

Brief note about nature of change: clarification of requirements for year in Europe

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/hsoj-c2/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting FHS from MT 2018

For first examination from 2020-2021

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.7 as follows:

'Course 2. Candidates shall be examined in nine standard subjects. Candidates will be examined in accordance with the Examination Regulations set out below. They will also be required to spend, after their matriculation, an academic year of residence in a European university approved in accordance with these regulations, and to have attended such courses at the approved university as are approved in accordance with these regulations, and to have completed passed such examinations at the approved university as the faculty board may specify.'

- 2. Amend citation reference 1.12 as follows:
 - '4. Candidates will be required to take pass certain examinations at the approved universities. Details will be available from the Institute of European and Comparative Law.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to clarify that students must pass examinations at partner European universities, rather than just complete the courses.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 03/07/18

Title of Programme

PGDip Teacher Education (Part-time)

Brief note about nature of change: change to resubmission deadline

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/pdite-p-time/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for all students on course

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.4 as follows:
- 4. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in an assignment will be permitted to resubmit on one occasion only. The deadline for resubmission of unit assessments will noon on the Monday falling 8-14 weeks after the initial submission date, following the term in which the unit is taken.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to deadline for resubmission of a failing assignment from 8 to 14 weeks after the initial submission date. Students receive their result 6 weeks after initial submission, meaning that currently they must resubmit within 2 weeks. As candidates on course are generally full-time professionals, this is unrealistic.