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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 27/07/2018

Title of Programme

Doctoral Training Programme in Science and Engineering in Arts, Heritage and Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: changes the deadline for Confirmation of Status and to the requirements for article-based theses

Location of change

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

Effective date

With immediate effect, for all students

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.4 as follows:
- '(d) Confirmation of D.Phil. Status should normally be achieved not later than the ninth tenth term from commencement on the Doctoral Training Programme. The department expects that, in most cases, the application for confirmation will be made immediately after return from field-work and no later than eighth week Trinity Michaelmas Term of the student's third fourth year on the doctoral training programme. No candidate may submit a thesis for the doctoral degree without having first obtained confirmed doctoral status. Any student who does not confirm by the end of their ninth tenth term, will be required to apply for a deferral of confirmation of status and may be allowed up to three two terms for this purpose. Any student who fails to confirm status within nine ten terms from commencement on the Doctoral Training Programme (or within a maximum of twelve terms where deferral has been approved) will have their student status lapsed. The purpose of the submission for

confirmed status is to ensure that the student is working to a doctoral standard. The confirmation report should show evidence that the research already accomplished gives promise of the ability to produce a satisfactory D.Phil. thesis on the intended topic. For this purpose the candidate must submit to the Director of Graduate Studies two copies (together with an electronic version) of a report describing in approximately 3,000 words the aims and methods of the projected thesis. The student will also be required to include with the written work an outline of the proposed thesis, including the topics to be covered in individual chapters, and a timetable for completion. In addition, two substantive chapters of no more than 10,000 words each must also be submitted. Students wishing to undertake the D.Phil. via scientific papers should substitute the chapters of the thesis with two papers. On receiving the application the Director of Graduate Studies will appoint two assessors (normally two academic members of staff) neither of whom will normally be the student's supervisor. The assessors will read the script before submitting to the Board their written reports and a joint summary statement supporting their recommendation. Students will be required to meet with their assessors and supervisor(s) at an assessment interview to discuss their report. A student whose first application is unsuccessful may be given one further opportunity to apply for confirmation, following the procedures laid down, normally within one term if necessary for the purpose of making the application. Students will be notified of the outcome and they should receive advice from their supervisor(s) on their confirmation assessment.

2. Amend citation 1.5 as follows:

'(e) A full-time Student for the Degree of D.Phil. in the Centre for Doctoral Training in Science and Engineering in Arts, Heritage and Archaeology, may hold status for twelve terms from commencement on the doctoral training programme. A full-time student for the Degree of M.Litt. or M.Sc. by Research may hold that status for nine terms from commencement on the doctoral training programme (six terms from transfer to Oxford). Candidates for the Degrees of D.Phil., M.Litt., or M.Sc. by Research are required to submit at least two sets of all maps, diagrams, and other illustrations, one of which should be a reproduction of the original set. The copy of the thesis deposited in the Bodleian should be one of those with a complete set of maps and illustrations. Applications for leave to present only one set of maps, diagrams and other illustrations may be granted in exceptional circumstances, but such concessions will be granted only very sparingly. M.Sc. by Research theses should be approximately 40,000 words, inclusive of appendices but exclusive of tables, figures, and references. M.Litt. theses should not exceed 50,000 words, exclusive of the bibliography, unless for exceptional reasons and on the recommendation of the candidate's supervisor the board otherwise determines. D.Phil. theses submitted by students in Geography must not exceed 100,000 words, exclusive of the bibliography but including notes, glossary, appendices, etc., unless for exceptional reasons and on the recommendation of the candidate's supervisor the Board otherwise determines. A D.Phil.

thesis may be accepted for examination if comprised of a minimum of four three scientific papers submitted for publication if not yet accepted or published. Such a body of work will be deemed acceptable provided it represents a coherent and focused body or research. It should include an Introduction, a Survey of Literature, and a Conclusion. Current word limits and conditions remain in place. A D.Phil. thesis submitted under this rubric may include joint publications. In that case, all co-authors must certify in writing to the Director of Graduate Studies that the majority of the work represents that of the candidate. Candidates wishing to proceed in this manner must obtain permission from his/her supervisor(s), and the School, and must be approved at the time of confirmation for D.Phil. status. Evidence must be submitted at the time permission is sought that the scientific papers have been submitted to identified journals. 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/her supervisor(s), and the School.'

Explanatory Notes

Extension of the deadline for Confirmation of Status from the ninth to the tenth term, with a reduction in the maximum number of terms for deferral of Confirmation of Status from three to two. There are no issues of vested interest as the change is beneficial to students and the overall maximum number of terms to complete Confirmation of Status including deferrals is unchanged.

Change 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.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 10/08/2018

Title of Programme

MSc Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: amendments to dates for assessments to be set, online submission requirements, and re-sit arrangements

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcimodesoutasiastud/studentview/, as amended by the Gazette of 21 June 2018

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 complete the core course in Modern South Asian Studies. The course will be assessed by one take-home 5,000 word maximum essays. This Essay questions will be issued on Monday of Week-8 1 of Hilary Michaelmas Term and should be submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 1 of Trinity Term.'
- 2. Amend citation reference 1.8 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 essay on Historical Methods to be set by Monday of Week 5 4 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term.'

3. Amend citation reference 1.9 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 essay on Literature and Language to be set by Monday of Week-5 4 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term.'

4. Amend citation reference 1.12 as follows:

'7. Two printed copies of each of the items of written work detailed above and, in addition, an electronic copy in <u>both Word and PDF</u> format on a memory stick or CD, must be delivered to the Examination Schools, addressed to the Chair of Examiners for the MSc in Modern South Asian Studies, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford at the times and days specified for each paper. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work. Successful candidates may be required to deposit a hard copy of the thesis in the Bodleian Library.'

5. Amend citation reference 1.15 as follows:

'9. 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 but at the latest within one year of the original submission. If a candidate fails 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:

Issue the core course essay title earlier

Issue the Qualitative and Historical Methods & Qualitative Methods, Literature and Language essay title earlier

Require on-line submission in Word and PDF formats

Clarification of re-sit timings

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 10/08/2018

Title of Programme

MPhil Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: amendments to dates for assessments to be set, online submission requirements, and re-sit arrangements

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopimodesoutasiastud/studentview/, as amended by the Gazette of 21 June 2018

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:

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

- 2. Amend citation reference 1.12 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 essay on Historical Methods to be set by Monday of Week 5 4 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term.'
- 3. Amend citation reference 1.13 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 essay on Literature and Language to be set by Monday of Week-5 4 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term.'

4. Amend citation reference 1.20 as follows:

'4. Two printed copies of each of the items of written work detailed above and, in addition, an electronic copy in both Word and PDF format on a memory stick or CD, must be delivered to the Examination Schools, addressed to the Chair of Examiners for the MSc in Modern South Asian Studies, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford at the times and days specified for each paper. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work. Successful candidates may be required to deposit a hard copy of the thesis in the Bodleian Library.'

5. Amend citation reference 1.22 as follows:

'A candidate who fails any of the option papers will be permitted to re-sit the paper(s) on one further occasion when next examined. If a student fails more than one both option papers they will be required to resit and pass all failed both option papers before proceeding to the second year of the MPhil course.'

6. Amend citation reference 1.34 as follows:

'11. Two printed copies of each of the items of written work detailed above and, in addition, an electronic copy in <u>both Word and PDF</u> format on a memory stick <u>or CD</u>, must be delivered to the Examination Schools, addressed to the Chair of Examiners for the MPhil in Modern South Asian Studies, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford at the times and days specified for each paper. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration it is the candidate's own work. Successful candidates may be required to deposit a hard copy of the thesis in the Bodleian Library.'

Explanatory Notes

Changes to the regulations to:

Issue the core course essay title earlier

Issue the Qualitative and Historical Methods & Qualitative Methods, Literature and Language essay title earlier

Require on-line submission in Word and PDF formats

Clarification of re-sit timings

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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: correction to Gazette notice of 19/07/2018

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 2020-21

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.4 as follows:
 - '4. Candidates shall 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 1.8 as follows:
 - '8. 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

This is to correct the changes published in the Gazette notice of 19/07/18 which amended the wording of the regulations for students who commenced the FHS before Oct 2015, rather than the wording of the regulations for students commencing the FHS in Oct 2018.

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Approved by chair's action on behalf of TAC on 06/09/2018

Title of Programme

MSc African Studies

Brief note about nature of change:

Amendment to the date the Methodology essay questions are released; amendment to the number of option paper essay questions set and release date of essay questions to students; deletion of the reference to an oral viva.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinafristud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018/19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.3 as follows
- '(i) One 4,500 word essay for the compulsory core course in Methodology, Ethics and Research Strategies selected from a list of questions approved by the African Studies Teaching Committee and made available to candidates by the last Friday of Week 7 of Michaelmas Term. The essay must be submitted not later than 12 noon on the first Monday of Hilary Term in the year in which the examination is taken.'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.5 as follows
- '(iii) One 4,500 word essay for one option paper, selected from a list of three at least eight

questions prepared by the course convenor and made available to candidates by the last Friday Monday of Week 7 of Hilary Term. The essay must be submitted not later than 12 noon on the last Friday of Trinity Term in the year in which the examination is taken.'

- 3. Delete citation 1.8: 4. Candidates may be required to attend an oral examination on any part of the examination.
- 4. Amend citation 1.9 as follows

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

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to the date the Methodology essay questions are released; amendment to the number of option paper essay questions set and release date of essay questions to students; deletion of thereference to an oral viva.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chairs action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee 06/09/2018

Title of Programme

MSc Archaeological Science

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to pre-set essay title submission date; amendment to the assessment structure when taking option papers outside of the degree programme; amendment to dissertation title submission date.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinarchscie/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.6 as follows

(b) one pre-set essay of no more than 10,000 words, the subject and length of which must be submitted for approval to the Chair of Examiners by noon on the Friday of the sixth week of Hilary Term. approved by the examiners before the end of Michaelmas Full Term. Candidates must upload their essay to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site by noon on the Monday of first week of Trinity Term. Essays must bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name, and must include a statement of the number of words.

2. Amend citation 1.7 as follows

(c) in lieu of one of the three papers described in the Schedule, candidates may, with the

permission of the School of Archaeology's Graduate Studies Committee, take one of the options from the M.St in Archaeology or M.St in Classical Archaeology (Schedule B only), to be examined by two pre-set essays, each of approximately 5,000 words. Candidates taking such an option would be examined on one pre-set essay of approximately 5,000 words on a topic in Archaeological Science in lieu of the requirements laid out in b) above.

- 3. Amend citation 1.8 as follows
- 5. Each candidate will be required to submit a dissertation of no more than 20,000 words, (excluding bibliography and/or catalogues), on a research area selected in consultation with the supervisor and approved by a person designated for this purpose by the Chair of Examiners for Archaeological Science. Proposed titles must be submitted for approval to the Chair of Examiners by noon on the Friday of the sixth week of Hilary Term.

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to pre-set essay title submission date; amendment to the assessment structure when taking option papers outside of the degree programme; amendment to dissertation title submission date.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 06/09/2018

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation

MSc in Japanese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the submission date of the Research Methods course take-home test in quantitative analysis.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinjapastud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018-19

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation reference 1.9 as follows:
- (i) Research Methods for Area Studies: 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; 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 10 of Hilary Term; and a 2,500 word maximum individual research proposal by 12 noon Monday of week 9 of Hilary Term.

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to the submission date of the Research Methods course take-home test in quantitative analysis.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee 12/09/2018

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation

Master of Science by Coursework in Migration Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to title of one paper; amendment to exclude the abstract from the dissertation word count.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinmigrstud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.6 as follows

I <u>The Politics of Movement:</u> International Migration in the Social Sciences:

- 2. Amend citation 1.16 as follows
- 10. Each candidate shall be required to submit a dissertation of not more than 15,000 words (excluding <u>abstract</u>, 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 second week of Hilary Term in the academic year in which his or her name was entered on the Register of M.Sc. Students.

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to title of one paper; amendment to exclude the abstract from the dissertation word count.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 06/09/2018

Title of Programme

MSc Russian and East European Studies

Brief note about nature of change: amendment to the submission date for the thesis

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2017, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbciraeasteurostud/studentview/, as amended by the Gazette of 19 July 2018

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:

'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 sixth week of Trinity Term. The thesis must be accompanied by a statement that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. 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

Changes to the regulation to bring forward the submission deadline for thesis by one week.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee 06/09/2018

Title of Programme

Master of Philosophy in Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the description of the pre-set essay assessment; amendment to clarify the thesis title submission date.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mophilinarch/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first (qualifying) examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.11 as follows
- 5. 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 <u>Friday of</u> 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.
 - 2. Amend citation 1.15 as follows
- 7. Where subjects are examined by pre-set essays (as specified in 4 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 eighth week of the term in which the instruction for that subject is <u>given-completed</u>. 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 <u>given-completed</u>. Essays should bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name.

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to the description of the pre-set essay assessment; amendment to clarify the thesis title submission date.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 06/09/2018

Title of Programme

MPhil in Japanese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the submission date of the Research Methods course take-home test in quantitative analysis.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopinjapastud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first (qualifying) examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.13 as follows:

Research Methods for Area Studies: 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; a take-home test in quantitative analysis to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of week 9-10 of Hilary Term; and a 2,500 word maximum individual research proposal by 12 noon Monday of week 9 of Hilary Term.

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to the submission date of the Research Methods course take-home test in quantitative analysis.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee 06/09/2018

Title of Programme

Master of Studies in Archaeological Science

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to pre-set essay title submission date; amendment to the assessment structure description when taking option papers outside of the degree programme; amendment to report title submission date.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosinarchscie/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.7 as follows

(b) one pre-set essay of approximately 10,000 words, the subject and length of which must be submitted for approval to the Chair of Examiners by noon on the Friday of the sixth week of Hilary Term. Approved by the examiners before the end of Michaelmas Full Term. Candidates must upload their essay to the Assignments section of the course WebLearn site by noon on the Monday of first week of Trinity Term. Essays must bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name, and must include a statement of the number of words.

2. Amend citation 1.8 as follows

(c) in lieu of one of the three papers described in the Schedule, candidates may, with the

permission of the School of Archaeology Committee for Graduate Studies, take one of the options from the M.St in Archaeology or M.St in Classical Archaeology (Schedule B only), to be examined by two 5,000 word pre-set essays, each of approximately 5,000 words. Candidates taking such an option would be examined on one pre-set essay of approximately 5,000 words on a topic in Archaeological Science in lieu of the requirements laid out in b) above.

- 3. Amend citation 1.9 as follows
- 6. Each candidate will be required to submit a report of approximately 5,000 words, on a practical project selected in consultation with the supervisor and approved by the Chair of Examiners for Archaeological Science. <u>Proposed titles must be submitted for approval to the Chair of Examiners by noon on the Friday of the sixth week of Hilary Term.</u>

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to pre-set essay title submission date; amendment to the assessment structure description when taking option papers outside of the degree programme; amendment to report title submission date.

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Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee 06/09/2018

Title of Programme

Master of Studies in Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to wording of the pre-set essay description; removal of reference requiring a physical submission of the dissertation to the exams school; removal of the Chinese Archaeology option under 'Schedule B'

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mostudinarch/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.7 as follows

(b) one further subject selected from Schedules B–D, to be examined by two pre-set essays (each of no more than 5,000 words). Candidates will propose essay topics in consultation with their supervisor or relevant course provider. The proposed essay titles, duly approved by the supervisor, must be submitted for approval of the Chair of Examiners by no later than noon on Friday of the eighth week of the term in which the instruction for that subject is given completed. 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 completed.

2. Amend citation 1.9 as follows

The title of the dissertation must be approved by the candidate's supervisor and by the 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 preset essays 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. Candidates must upload their dissertations to the Assignments 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. Delete citation 1.28: Chinese Archaeology

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to wording of the pre-set essay description; removal of reference requiring a physical submission of the dissertation to the exams school; removal of the Chinese Archaeology option under 'Schedule B'

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee 06/09/2018

Title of Programme

Master of Studies in Classical Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to dissertation title submission date.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosinclasarch/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 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 essays 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 Friday on the Tuesday of the 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.'

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to the dissertation title submission date.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by chair's action on behalf of TAC on 24/09/2018

Title of Programme

MPhil in Economics

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the structure of the regulations to move the footnote about the thesis into the main body of the regulation.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mophilinecon/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first (qualifying) examination from 2017-18

Detail of change

1. Insert the following text between citation 1.12 and 1.13

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.

2. Amend citation 1.41 as follows to remove the footnote:

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 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

A small amendment to the structure of the regulations to move the footnote relating to the thesis into the main body of the regulation.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee

Research Degrees in the Oxford Internet Institute

Brief note about nature of change: Introduction of the DPhil in Social Data Science (full-time and part-time) for students starting from MT2019.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/rdtoxfointeinst/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first (qualifying) examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.2 as follows:

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

2. Amend citation 1.4 as follows:

The DPhil programmes 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. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

'Students <u>studying Information, Communication and Social Sciences</u> shall attend and satisfactorily complete with a mark of 50 or higher:'

4. Introduce a new citation under 1.10 and before 1.11 as follows:

'Students studying Social Data Science shall attend and satisfactorily complete with a passing mark of 50 or higher such courses or classes as directed by the Social Data Science Graduate Studies Committee.'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of the DPhil in Social Data Science (full-time and part-time) into the Research Degrees in OII for students starting from MT2019.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee

Master of Science by Coursework in Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to remove the specialism pathway in Contemporary India.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcimodesoutasiastud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.2 as follows:
- '2. Each candidate will be required to follow a course of instruction in Modern South Asian Studies for three terms. Candidates may specialise in Contemporary India by selecting combinations of courses and options as set out in the Course Handbook.'

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to remove the specialism pathway in Contemporary India.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee

Master of Science by Coursework in Teacher Education (Part-time)

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to reduce the number of summatively assessed units from four to three; amendment to the submission and resubmission dates for assignments; removal of the final outcome rule for an award of Distinction; other minor structural changes.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcite-p-time/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.2 as follows:
- '2. Every candidate must follow for six terms a part-time course of instruction in Teacher Education, approved by the Academic Committee of the Department of Education. All candidates on the course will be required to complete four three summatively assessed units of study, two formatively assessed residential units and a research and development dissertation.'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.3 as follows:
- '3. The M.Sc. in Teacher Education shall be examined by means of fourthree assignments relating to the content of each of the fourthree units and a research and development dissertation. Assignments one and two must be between 4,000 and 5,000 words in length, and assignment three must be a maximum of 10,000 words in length. All word counts include tables, charts and diagrams and assignments must be written in accordance with

guidance given in the unit. Assignments one and two must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Higher Degrees WebLearn site by no later than noon on Monday of Week 1 of Hilary and Trinity terms respectively. Assignment three must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Higher Degrees WebLearn site by no later than noon on the third Friday in September in the candidate's first year of the course. Each assignment must be between 4,000 and 5,000 words in length, or their equivalent in tables, charts and diagrams in accordance with guidance given in the unit. One electronic copy (in a software format available in the department) must be submitted online to the Chair of Examiners, M.Sc. in Teacher Education, c/o Department of Education, 15 Norham Gardens, Oxford, OX2 6PY who will provide the digital address. The deadline for the submission of assignments will be no later than noon on Monday of Week 1 of Hilary and Trinity terms.'

- 3. Insert a new citation after 1.3 and before 1.4:
- '4. The deadline for resubmission of assignments one and two will be noon on the Monday falling 8 weeks after the initial submission date, following the term in which the unit is taken. The deadline for resubmission of assignment three will be noon on Monday of week 1 of Hilary term in the candidate's second year of the course.'
 - 4. Insert a new citation after the above insertion and before 1.4:
- <u>'5. To transfer successfully from the Postgraduate Diploma to the M.Sc. candidates must</u> have passed assignments one and two in the first year.'
 - 5. Amend citation 1.4 as follows:
- 4. 6. The research and development dissertation will present a systematic account of a substantial practitioner research enquiry, focused on the design and implementation of a specific innovation in teacher education with a strong emphasis on the choice of appropriate criteria, and relevant evidence for evaluating its impact. The dissertation must be between 15,000 and 20,000 words in length. The dissertation must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Higher Degrees WebLearn site by no later than noon on the third Friday in September in the candidate's second year on the course. One printed copy of the dissertation must also be provided hard bound bearing the name of the candidate, and proof of posting by the submission date must be scanned and sent to the Chair of Examiners, M.Sc. Teacher Education, c/o Department of Education, 15 Norham Gardens, Oxford, OX2 6PY.. One electronic copy (in a software format available in the department) must be submitted to the Chair of Examiners, M.Sc. in Teacher Education, c/o Department of Education, 15 Norham Gardens, Oxford, OX2 6PY who will provide a digital address, no later than noon on the third Friday in September in the candidate's second year on the course. One printed copy of the report must also be provided hard bound bearing the name of the candidate, and proof of posting by the submission date must be scanned and sent to the Chair of Examiners. The hard bound copy of the research and development project report of each candidate who passes the examination will be retained by OUDE for deposit in the departmental library.
 - 6. Delete citation 1.5:
- 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 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.

7. Delete citation 1.6:

6. The award of Distinction within the M.Sc. in Teacher Education is normally reserved for those candidates who receive distinction marks for at least two of the four assignments, and over 60 for the other two, and also achieve distinction for the dissertation.

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to reduce the number of summatively assessed units from four to three; amendment to the submission and resubmission dates for assignments; removal of the final outcome rule for an award of Distinction; other minor structural changes.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee

Master of Philosophy in Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to remove the specialism pathway in Contemporary India.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopimodesoutasiastud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first (qualifying) examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.2 as follows:
- '2. Each candidate will be required to follow a course of instruction in Modern South Asian Studies for six terms. Candidates may specialise in Contemporary India by selecting combinations of courses and options as set out in the Course Handbook.'

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to remove the specialism pathway in Contemporary India.

SSD/2/2/4

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 06/09/2018

Title of Programme

Postgraduate Diploma in Strategy and Innovation (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change: Amendments to manage movement between programmes/cohorts, and removal of reference to award of a Distinction as covered by General Regulation

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/pdisai-p-time/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from HT 2019

For first examination from 2018-19 (Hilary term calendar)

Detail of change

- 1. Insert text as follows after citation 1.25, and before citation 1.26:
- '2. Candidates admitted to the 12-month programme cannot transfer between the two cohorts admitted each year, nor may they transfer to the 24-month programme. In exceptional circumstances, candidates on the 24-month programme may be permitted to transfer to the 12-month programme.'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.26 as follows:
- <u>'2.3.</u> Candidates may be examined viva voce on one or more of the written examinations and the integrative written assignment.'

- 3. Delete citation 1.27 as follows:
- '3. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to manage movement between programmes/ cohorts.

Amendment to remove reference to award of a Distinction as covered by General Regulation.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee

Postgraduate Diploma in Teacher Education (Part Time)

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to lower the number of terms followed by candidates from five to three; amendment to change the number of summatively assessed units from four to three; amendment to the deadline dates, word count, and resubmission dates for assignments; deletion of the reference to the final outcome rule for an award of Distinction.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/pdite-p-time/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first (qualifying) examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.1 as follows:
- '1. Every candidate must follow for <u>five three</u> terms a part-time course of instruction in Teacher Education approved by the <u>Academic Committee Graduate Studies Committee</u> of the Department of Education.'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.2 as follows:
- '2. All candidates on the course will be required to complete four three summatively assessed units of study and one formatively assessed residential unit. Two units are taught each academic year on an alternating basis.'
 - 3. Amend citation 1.3 as follows:
- '3. The Postgraduate Diploma shall be examined by means of four three assignments

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relating to the content of each of the four units. Assignments one and two must be between 4,000 and 5,000 words in length, and assignment three must be a maximum of 10,000 words in length. All word counts include tables, charts and diagrams and assignments must be written in accordance with guidance given in the unit. Each assignment must be between 4,000 and 5,000 words in length, or their equivalent in tables, charts and diagrams in accordance with guidance given in the unit. Assignments one and two must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Higher Degrees WebLearn site by no later than noon on Monday of Week 1 of Hilary and Trinity terms respectively. Assignment three must be uploaded to the Assignments section of the Higher Degrees WebLearn site by no later than noon on the third Friday in September in the candidate's first year of the course. One electronic copy (in a software format available in the department) must be submitted online to the Chair of Examiners, M.Sc in Teacher Education, c/o Department of Education, 15 Norham Gardens, Oxford OX2 6PY who will provide the digital address. The deadline for the submission of assignments will be no later than noon on Monday of Week 1 of Hilary and Trinity terms.'

4. Amend citation 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 assignments one and two will be noon on the Monday falling 8 weeks after the initial submission date, following the term in which the unit is taken. The deadline for resubmission of assignment three will be noon on Monday of week 1 of Hilary term in the following academic year. The deadline for resubmission of unit assessments will noon on the Monday falling 14 weeks after the initial submission date, following the term in which the unit is taken.'

5. Delete citation 1.5:

'5. The award of Distinction within the Postgraduate Diploma is normally reserved for those candidates who receive distinction marks for at least two of the four assessed assignments, and over 60 for the other two.'

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to lower the number of terms followed by candidates from five to three; amendment to change the number of summatively assessed units from four to three; amendment to the deadline dates, word count, and resubmission dates for assignments; deletion of the reference to the final outcome rule for an award of Distinction.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee [01/11/2018]

Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change:

Amendment to swap the order and the assessment structure of the 'Financial Strategies for Growth' and 'Corporate Valuation' courses for students starting in Hilary term 2019.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/pdifs-ptime/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from Hilary Term 2019

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:

Financial Strategies for Growth Corporate Valuation;

2. Amend citation 1.11 as follows:

Corporate Valuation Financial Strategies for Growth.

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to swap the order and assessment structure of the 'Financial Strategies for Growth' and 'Corporate Valuation' courses for students starting in Hilary term 2019.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee on 06/11/2018

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation [if general)]

Master of Studies in Classical Archaeology

Brief note about nature of change: Introduction of a new option paper, *The Archaeology of Lived Religion in Late Antiquity.*

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosinclasarch/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Insert a new citation under 1.57 as follows

The Archaeology of Lived Religion in Late Antiquity

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of a new option paper, The Archaeology of Lived Religion in Late Antiquity.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (11/12/2018)

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

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the dissertation submission date.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcialasecolangacqu/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.5 as follows:

An electronic copy of the dissertation must be uploaded to the Department of Education's Higher Degrees WebLearn site by noon on the <u>last-second</u> Friday of August of the year in which the final Module examination has been taken. This copy should be anonymous except for the candidate number.

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to the dissertation submission date.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (11/12/2018)

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

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to dissertation submission date.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcialflangteac-p-t/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2020-21

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.6 as follows:
- 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 second Friday of August of the year in which the final Module examination has been taken. This copy should be anonymous except for the candidate number.

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to dissertation submission date.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (11/12/2018)

Master of Science by Coursework in Learning and Teaching

Brief note about nature of change: Deletion of the final outcome rule for Distinction

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcilearandteac/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for all students on course.

Detail of change

- 1. Delete citation 1.16 as follows:
- 9. 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.
 - 2. Amend citation 1.17 as follows:
- 10. 9. Candidates may also be examined orally on their final research and development project.
 - 3. Amend citation 1.18 as follows:
- 41. 10. 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

Deletion of the final outcome rule for Distinction.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (11/12/2018)

Master of Science by Coursework in Medical Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the titles of the three core papers.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinmedianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.12 as follows:
- 1. Concepts of disease, illness, health and medicine in global perspective Critical Medical Anthropology
 - 2. Amend citation 1.14 as follows:
- 2. Theory and practice of bio-medicine and of other medical systems <u>Biocultural</u> <u>Approaches to Medicine</u>
 - 3. Amend citation 1.16 as follows:
- 3. Critical medical anthropology Anthropologies of the Body

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to the titles of the three core papers.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (11/12/2018)

Master of Philosophy in Medical Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the titles of the core papers.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopinmedianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first (qualifying) examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.6 as follows
- (1) Concepts of disease, illness, health and medicine in global perspective Critical Medical Anthropology
 - 2. Amend citation 1.8 as follows
- (2) Theory and practice of bio-medicine and of other medical systems <u>Biocultural</u> <u>Approaches to Medicine</u>
 - 3. Amend citation 1.10 as follows
- (3) Critical medical anthropology Anthropologies of the Body

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to the titles of the core papers.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (11/12/2018)

Honour School of Jurisprudence (Course 1)

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the submission deadline of the Jurisprudence essay and minor factual corrections to the text.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsoj-c1/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting the FHS from MT 2019

For first submission of the essay in 2019-20, and for the cohort taking the final FHS examination in 2020-21

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.22 as follows:

(b) a single essay of 3,000-4,000 words to be written during the summer vacation between the end of Year 2 and commencement of Year 3 of the Final Honour School. Essay questions will be published by the Board of Examiners at noon on the Friday of the seventh week of the Trinity Term preceding the examination. Two copies of each The essay submitted must be submitted electronically, by noon on the Friday of the week before noughth week preceding the beginning of the Michaelmas Full Term immediately following. On submitting the essays, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration of authorship. Candidates will be contacted with details of how to access questions, and submit the essays. The essays must bear the candidate's examination number, but not his or her name or the name of his or her college.

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to the submission deadline of the Jurisprudence essay and a minor factual

corrections to the text.		

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (11/12/2018)

Honour School of Jurisprudence (Course 2)

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the submission deadline of the Jurisprudence essay, minor factual corrections to text.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsoj-c2/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first submission of the essay in 2019-20, and for the cohort taking the final FHS examination in 2021-22

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.28 as follows:

(b) a single essay of 3,000-4,000 words to be written during the summer vacation between the end of Year 2 and commencement of Year 3 of the Final Honour School. Essay questions will be published by the Board of Examiners at noon on the Friday of the seventh week of the Trinity Term preceding the examination. Two copies of each The essay submitted must be submitted electronically, by noon on the Friday of the week before noughth week preceding the beginning of the Michaelmas Full Term immediately following. On submitting the essays, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration of authorship. Candidates will be contacted with details of how to access questions, and submit the essays. The essays must bear the candidate's examination number, but not his or her name or the name of his or her college.

Explanatory Notes

Amendment to the submission deadline of the Jurisprudence essay, minor factual

corrections to text.		

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee [01/11/2018]

Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy (Part-Time)

Brief note about nature of change:

Correction of an earlier notice (15/11/2018) that requested a change in a section of text marked for students starting before MT2017, rather than from MT2017. Amendment to swap the order and the assessment structure of the 'Financial Strategies for Growth' and 'Corporate Valuation' courses for students starting in Hilary term 2019.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/pdifs-p-time/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from Hilary Term 2019

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.22 as follows:

(iii) Financial Strategies for Growth Corporate Valuation;

2. Amend citation 1.23 as follows:

(iv) Corporate Valuation Financial Strategies for Growth.

Explanatory Notes

Correction of an earlier notice (15/11/2018) that requested a change in a section of text marked for students starting before MT2017, rather than from MT2017. Amendment to swap the order and assessment structure of the 'Financial Strategies for Growth' and

'Corporate Valuation' courses for students starting in Hilary term 2019.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Teaching Audit Committee

Postgraduate Diploma in Teacher Education (Part Time)

Brief note about nature of change: Factual correction to text

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/pdite-p-time/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:
- '3. The Postgraduate Diploma shall be examined by means of three assignments relating to the content of each of the four three units.'

Explanatory Notes

Minor factual correction to text to change the number of summatively assessed units from four to three.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of SSD Quality Assurance Committee on 22/01/2019 and by Chair's Action on behalf of Humanities GSC on 31/01/2019

Master of Science by Coursework in Contemporary Chinese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the assessment of the 'Research Methods for Area Studies' core course. Amendment to remove reference to award of a Distinction as covered by General Regulation.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcicontchinstud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.5 as follows:
- '5. Candidates will complete a course in 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 and-research atake-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.'
 - 2. Delete citation 1.9:
- 9. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.
 - 3. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:
- '409. Candidates who fail 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)'

Explanatory Notes

An amendment to the assessment of the Research Methods for Area Studies core course. The course is currently assessed by a quantitative take-home test, a qualitative take-home test and a research proposal. This change will make the research proposal a formative assignment, and reduce the number of summatively assessed units.

Amendment to remove reference to award of a Distinction as covered by General Regulations.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (22/02/2019) and on behalf of Education Committee (25/02/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Medical Anthropology

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

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinmedianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students who started the MSc from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.3 as follows:
- '3. Candidates will be required to present themselves for written and, where invited, oral examinations, and to submit three copies of a dissertation in prescribed form on an approved topic as defined below.'
 - 2. Amend citation 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 Medical 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. 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 title page of the dissertation.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (22/02/2019) and on behalf of Education Committee (25/02/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Social Anthropology

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

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinsocianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students who started the MSc from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 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 1.9 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. 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 title page of the dissertation.'

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (22/02/2019) and on behalf of Education Committee (29/02/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Visual, Material, and Museum Anthropology

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

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbciv-mandmuseanth/studentview/

Effective date

For students who started the MSc from MT 2018

For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 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 reports (including notes) on trials of three research methods (Paper 3(b)) 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.'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.9 as follows:

'(iv) 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. Three typewritten copies of the dissertation, together with three copies of any

associated non-print materials, must be delivered not later than noon of the last Wednesday in August in the year in which the examination is taken to the Chair of the Examiners, M.Sc. in Visual, Material, and Museum Anthropology, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford. The dissertation, together with any associated non-print materials, must be submitted via WebLearn not later than noon of 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, with the exception of any non-print materials, which must be submitted electronically in an appropriate file 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 title page of the dissertation outside front cover of the thesis. Non-print materials shall not constitute more than fifteen minutes of viewing/reading time in the case of video or multimedia submissions.'

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (22/02/2019) and on behalf of Education Committee (25/02/2019)

Master of Philosophy in Medical Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to require electronic submission of the thesis.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopinmedianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students who started the M.Phil. from MT 2018

For first (final) examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.26 as follows:

Each candidate shall be required to submit a thesis of not more than 30,000 words (excluding references and appendices) on a subject approved by the supervisor. He or she shall send to the Teaching Committee of the School of Anthropology, with the written approval of his or her supervisor, and on the form provided for that purpose, a preliminary title of the thesis, together with a paragraph describing its scope, by noon on the Tuesday of the fifth week of the Trinity term of the first year of the course. A further form, identical in its provision, and confirming or amending the earlier submission as necessary, shall be submitted to the above Committee by noon on the Monday of second week of Michaelmas Term in the academic year following that in which his or her name was entered on the Register of M.Phil. Students. The thesis (three copies) must be typewritten and delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, not later than noon on Tuesday of the fifth week of Trinity Term in the academic year in which the Final Examination is taken. 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. The thesis must be submitted via WebLearn not later than noon on Tuesday of the fifth week of Trinity Full Term of the second year of the M.Phil. The thesis must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in Word format. The thesis 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 title page of the thesis.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of SSD Quality Assurance Committee on 22/01/2019 and by Chair's Action on behalf of Humanities GSC on 31/01/2019

Master of Philosophy in Modern Chinese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the assessment of the 'Research Methods for Area Studies' and 'Modern China Humanities' core courses. Amendment to remove reference to award of a Distinction as covered by General Regulation.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopinmodechinstud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT2019

For first (qualifying) examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.9 as follows:

'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 and; a take-home test in quantitative analysis to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of week 9 of Hilary Term.; and a 2,500 word maximum individual research proposal not later than 12 noon Monday of week 9 of Hilary Term.

2. Amend citation 1.11 as follows:

'Modern China Humanities: Candidates will submit two 3,000 word maximum essays that explore some aspect of modern China from a humanities perspective. The first essay will be submitted by 12 noon on Monday of week 9 of Michaelmas Term and the second essay will be submitted by 12 noon on Monday of week 9 of Hilary Term. 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'

- 3. Amend citation 1.13 as follows:
- '7. Candidates will be required to pass the core course examination, language examination and either the Research Methods for Area Studies course overall, or the research proposal and the written examination for the Modern China Humanities course overall to be allowed to progress to the second and final year. Candidates who fail the Research Methods for Area Studies course overall or the Modern China Humanities 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 specified by the Chair of Examiners. Candidates who fail 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.'
 - 4. Delete citation 1.22:
- 15. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.
 - 5. Amend citation 1.23 as follows:

'1<u>56</u>. Candidates who fail one or more of the examination papers or the thesis will be permitted to retake the examination paper(s)'

Explanatory Notes

The 'Research Methods for Area Studies' core course is currently assessed by a quantitative take-home test, a qualitative take-home test and a research proposal. It is proposed to make the research proposal a formative assignment, and for the course to be assessed based on the two take-home tests.

The 'Modern China Humanities' core course is currently assessed by a three hour written examination and a research proposal. It is proposed to replace the written examination with two 3,000 words essays, one submitted at the end of MT and the second at the end of HT. Each of these essays would provide students with an opportunity to assess a thematic topic, historical moment, or primary source covered in the Modern China Humanities course in a way that applies methodological and/or theoretical approaches taught in the course.

Amendment to remove reference to award of a Distinction as covered by General Regulation.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (22/02/2019) and on behalf of Education Committee (25/02/2019)

Master of Philosophy in Social Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to require electronic submission of the thesis.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopinsocianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students who started the M.Phil. from MT 2018

For first (final) examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.14 as follows:

Each candidate shall be required to submit a thesis of not more than 30,000 words (excluding references and appendices) on a subject approved by the supervisor. He or she shall send to the Teaching Committee of the School of Anthropology, with the written approval of his or her supervisor, and on a form provided for that purpose, a preliminary title of the thesis, together with a paragraph describing its scope, by noon on the Tuesday of the fifth week of the Trinity Term of the first year of the course. A further form, identical in its provisions, and confirming or amending the earlier submission as necessary, shall be submitted to the above Committee by noon on the Monday of the second week of the Michaelmas Term in the academic year following that in which his or her name was entered on the Register of M.Phil. Students. The thesis (three copies) must be typewritten and delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, not later than noon on Tuesday of the second week of the Trinity Term in the academic year in which the Final Examination is taken. 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. The thesis must be submitted via WebLearn not later than noon on Tuesday of the second week of the Trinity Full Term of the second year of the M.Phil. The thesis must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in Word format. The thesis 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 title page of the thesis.'

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (22/02/2019) and on behalf of Education Committee (25/02/2019)

Master of Philosophy in Visual, Material, and Museum Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to require electronic submission of the thesis.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopiv-mandmuseanth/studentview/

Effective date

For students who started the M.Phil. from MT 2018

For first (final) examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:
- '3. Each candidate shall be required to submit a thesis of not more than 30,000 words (excluding references and appendices) on a subject approved by the supervisor. The thesis may be based on the analysis of objects or photographs in the collections of the Pitt Rivers Museum, or a topic from one of the subject areas covered during the qualifying year, including option topics. The candidate shall send to the Teaching Committee of the School of Anthropology, with the written approval of his or her supervisor, and on the form provided for that purpose, the proposed preliminary title of the thesis, together with a paragraph describing its scope, by noon on the Tuesday of the fifth week of the Trinity term of the first year of the course. A further form, identical in its provisions, and confirming or amending the earlier submission as necessary, shall be submitted to the above Committee by noon on Monday of the second week of Michaelmas Term in the academic year following that in which his or her name was entered on the register of M.Phil. students. The thesis (three copies) must be typewritten and delivered to the Chair of Examiners, M.Phil. in Visual,

Material, and Museum Anthropology, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, not later than Tuesday of the second week of Trinity Term in the academic year in which the Final Examination is taken. 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. The thesis must be submitted via WebLearn not later than Tuesday of the second week of the Trinity Full Term of the second year of the M.Phil. The thesis must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in Word format. The thesis 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 title page of the thesis.'

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of QAC (22/01/2019) and on behalf of Education Committee

Honour School of Archaeology and Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: Minor amendment to the dissertation proposal submission deadline.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsoarchandanth/studentview/

Effective date

For students who started the FHS in MT 2018

For first submission of the dissertation proposal in 2018-19, and for the cohort taking the final FHS examination in 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.46 as follows:
- '(c) Candidates must submit through their college, to the Chair of the Standing Committee the title of the proposed dissertation, together with (a) a synopsis of the subject in about 100 words; and (b) a letter of support from the person whom they wish to supervise their dissertation (and who will be subject to the Standing Committee's approval), not later than Monday of Week 0 of the Trinity Full Term preceding that in which the examination is held.
- (c) Candidates must submit through the Undergraduate Administrator, to the Chair of the Standing Committee the title of the proposed dissertation, together with (a) a synopsis of the subject in about 100 words; and (b) a letter of support from the person whom they wish to supervise their dissertation (and who will be subject to the Standing Committee's approval), not later than Wednesday of Week 0 of Trinity Full Term of the first year of the Final Honour School.'

Explanatory Notes

Minor amendment to extend the dissertation proposal submission deadline.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (01/03/2019)

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

Brief note about nature of change: Introduction of integrated theses for Research Degrees in the Department of International Development.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/rdispaisandintedeve/

Effective date

With immediate effect for all students on course

Detail of change

1. Insert the following text as a new entry under citation 1.38:

'Additional regulations for the Department of International Development

Integrated theses

A D.Phil. thesis may be accepted for examination either in the form of an articles-based thesis if it consists of a minimum of three published articles or articles intended for future publication, or as an integrated thesis which may include one or more published articles or articles intended for future publication combined with one or more conventional chapters.

Such a body of work shall be deemed acceptable provided it represents a coherent body of research. It should include an introduction placing the individual papers in context, a literature review, and an overall conclusion. The articles-based or integrated thesis should reflect the amount, originality and level of work expected for a conventional thesis. Current word limits and conditions remain in place. Co-authored work will only be permitted under exceptional circumstances, and with the approval of the supervisor(s) and Graduate Studies Committee. Where co-authored articles are included, the supervisor(s) and all co-

authors must certify in writing to the Graduate Studies Committee that the majority of that work represents the work of the candidate. Co-authored work with supervisors is not normally permitted.

Candidates wishing to submit an articles-based or integrated thesis must obtain permission from their supervisor and the Department's Graduate Studies Committee before applying for Confirmation of D.Phil. status. If, after an application is accepted, a candidate wishes to revert to a standard D.Phil. thesis format, the candidate must submit an application to their supervisor and the Department's Graduate Studies Committee showing good cause for the change. Students applying for Confirmation of Status will be required to submit a statement of the intended basis for the overall coherence of the work, and may submit draft articles in place of draft chapters.

Further guidance can be found in the Course Handbook.'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of integrated theses for Research Degrees in the Department of International Development.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Quality Assurance Committee

Title of Programme

Honour School of Economics and Management

Brief note about nature of change: Removal of the requirement to take core Economics papers in the first year of the FHS; the introduction of appropriate prerequisites for Economics options taken in the second year of the FHS.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsoeconandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting the FHS from 2019-20

For first FHS examination from 2020-21

Detail of change

- 1. Delete the 'A' immediately above citation 1.1
- 2. Delete citations 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7
- 3. Delete the 'B' immediately above citation 1.8
- 4. Delete citations 1.8, 1.9, 1.10, 1.11, 1.12, 1.13, 1.14, 1.15, 1.16, 1.17, 1.18, 1.19.
- 5. Insert the following text at the beginning of the regulations:
- 1. The examination in this school shall be under the supervision of the Social Sciences
 Board, which shall appoint a standing committee to make regulations concerning it, subject always to the subsequent clauses of this sub-section.
- 2. No candidate shall be admitted to examination in this school unless they have either

passed or been exempted from the First Public Examination.

- 3. All candidates will be required to take eight subjects in all.
- 4. Candidates shall be required to offer at least two subjects from Schedule A and at least two subjects from Schedule B.
- 5. Any candidate may offer a thesis instead of one of the subjects from Schedule A or B.
- 6. On entering their name for the examination by the date prescribed, each candidate must give notice to the Registrar of the papers being offered.
- 7. Candidates are permitted the use of one hand-held pocket calculator from a list of permitted calculators published by the Department of Economics on its Undergraduate website, which will be updated annually in the week prior to the first full week of Michaelmas Term.'
 - 6. Amend citation 1.20 as follows:
- '8. Depending on the availability of teaching resources, not all Management Options will be available in any particular year.'
 - 7. Insert the following text under citation 1.20:
- '9. Economics subjects 300, 301, 302, and 311 must be studied in the first year of the candidate's enrolment for the Honour School. The rest of the subjects may only be studied in the second year of the candidate's enrolment for the Honour School.

Details of the choices available for the second year of the Honour School will be announced at the Economics Department's 'Options Fair' at the beginning of the fourth week of the first Hilary Full Term of candidates' work for the Honour School, and will be posted on the Department's undergraduate website at the same time.

- 8. Delete citation 1.22
- 9. Amend citation 1.42 as follows:

'Subjects (1) to (429) are as specified in the Honour School of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics. Most Special Subjects may only be offered in combination with one or more of 300, 301, and 302. More than one Special Subject (under 9) may be offered.'

- 10. Delete citations 1.43, 1.44, 1.45, 1.46, 1.47, 1.48, 1.49, 1.50, 1.51, 1.52, 1.53, 1.54
- 11. Insert the following text under citation 1.42:
- '(1) Quantitative Economics
- (2) Macroeconomics
- (3) Microeconomics
- (4) Money and Banking

- (5) Economics of Developing Countries
- (6) Development of World Economy since 1800
- (7) Econometrics
- (8) Game Theory
- (9) Special Subjects in Economics'
 - 12. Amend citation 1.55 as follows:

'(vi)-Thesis'

Explanatory Notes

Removal of the requirement to take core Economics papers in the first year of the FHS; the introduction of appropriate prerequisites for Economics options taken in the second year of the FHS.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Quality Assurance Committee

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation

Honour School of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

Brief note about nature of change: Removal of the requirement to take core Economics papers in the first year of the FHS; the introduction of appropriate prerequisites for Economics options taken in the second year of the FHS.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsop-poliandecon/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting the FHS from MT 2019-20

For first FHS examination from 2020-21

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.3 as follows:

'No candidate shall be admitted to examination in this school unless they have he or she has passed or been exempted from the first Public Examination.'

2. Amend citation 1.7 as follows:

'Candidates must take eight subjects in all, and must satisfy requirements of particular branches of the school:, including, in Philosophy, those set out in the Regulations for Philosophy in all Honour Schools including Philosophy, and, in Politics and Economics, requirements to take core subjects. In Politics, the core subjects are any two of 201, 202, 203, 214, and 220; in Economics the core subjects are 300, 301 and 302. In Politics, any of 201, 202, 203, 214, and 220 which are not offered as core subjects may be offered as further subjects.'

3. Insert the following text under citation 1.7:

'In Philosophy, candidates must satisfy the requirements set out in the Regulations for Philosophy in all Honour Schools including Philosophy.

In Politics, candidates must take any two of the core subjects, 201, 202, 203, 214 and 220. Any of 201, 202, 203, 214 and 220 which are not offered as core subjects may be offered as further subjects.

In Economics, most subjects must be taken in combination with one or more of 300, 301 and 302 (see the Schedule in the List of Subjects for details).'

4. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

'On entering his or her their name for the examination by the date prescribed, each candidate must give notice to the Registrar of the papers being offered.'

5. Amend citation 1.11 as follows:

'Candidates must take (i) **one** of subjects 101, 102, 115, and 116, and (ii) subject 103, any two of subjects 300, 301, and 302 (iii) and any two of 201, 202, 203, 214, and 220, and (iv) at least two subjects in Economics.'

6. Amend citation 1.12 as follows:

'Their other two subjects may be chosen freely from those listed under Philosophy, and under Politics, and under Economics, except that (i) if any subjects in Economics are chosen they must include the third core subject; (ii) certain combinations of subjects may not be offered (see List of Subjects below); and (iii) not all Economics subjects may be available in any particular year (see below for details). There may also be restrictions on numbers permitted to offer some Economics subjects in any particular year.'

7. Amend citation 1.14 as follows:

'Candidates must take (i) **one** of subjects 101, 102, 115, and 116, and (ii) subject 103, and (iii) any two of 201, 202, 203, 214, and 220.'

8. Amend citation 1.15 as follows:

Their other four subjects may be chosen freely from those listed under Philosophy and under Politics, except that (i) at least one must be a subject in Philosophy and the Regulations for Philosophy in all Honour Schools including Philosophy must be adhered to; (ii) at least one must be a further subject in Politics (other than the thesis (or the supervised dissertation) if offered); (iii) one but only one may be a subject in Economics, selected from the following list: 300, 301, 302, 311, (iiiiv) certain combinations of subjects may **not** be offered (see List of Subjects below).'

9. Amend citation 1.17 as follows:

'Candidates must take subjects 300, 301, and 302 and (i) any two of 201, 202, 203, 214, and 220, and (ii) at least three subjects in Economics.'

10. Amend citation 1.20 as follows:

'Candidates must take (i) **one** of subjects 101, 102, 115, and 116, and (ii) subjects 103, 300, 301, and 302, and (iii) at least three subjects in Economics.'

11. Amend citation 1.86 as follows:

'Not all Economics subjects may be offered in any particular year. There may also be restrictions on numbers permitted to offer some Economics subjects in any particular year. Subjects 300, 301, 302, and 311 must be studied in the first year of the candidate's enrolment for the Honour School. The rest of the subjects may only be studied in the second year of the candidate's enrolment for the Honour School.'

12. Amend citation 1.87 as follows:

'Economics subjects available to candidates in any particular year will depend on the availability of teaching resources. Details of the choices available for the following second year of the Honour School will be announced at the Economics Department's 'Options Fair' at the beginning of the fourth week of the first Hilary Full Term of candidates' work for the Honour School, and will be posted on the Department's undergraduate web-site at the same time.'

13. Insert the following text under 1.87 as follows:

'Not all Economics subjects may be available in any particular year. There may also be restrictions on numbers permitted to offer some Economics subjects in any particular year.

More than one Special Subject in Economics (paper 398) may be offered.'

- 14. Delete citation 1.91
- 15. Delete citation 1.93
- 16. Delete citation 1.94
- 17. Delete citation 1.95
- 18. Delete citation 1.96
- 19. Delete citation 1.100
- 20. Delete citation 1.102
- 21. Amend citation 1.103 as follows:
- '398. Special subjects in Economics'
 - 22. Delete citation 1.181
 - 23. Delete citation 1.182
 - 24. Delete citation 1.183

25. Insert new citation after 1.185 as follows

'Candidates offering this subject must also offer 300 and 302.'

- 26. Delete citation 1.187
- 27. Delete citation 1.188
- 28. Delete citation 1.189
- 29. Delete citation 1.190
- 30. Delete citation 1.191
- 31. Delete citation 1.192 (also deleting the associated footnote)
- 32. Delete citation 1.193
- 33. Delete citation 1.194
- 34. Delete citation 1.195
- 35. Insert a new citation under 1.199 as follows:

'Candidates offering this subject must also offer 300 and 301.'

36. Insert a new citation under 1.207 as follows:

'Candidates offering this subject must also offer 300.'

- 37. Delete citation 1.208
- 38. Delete citation 1.209
- 39. Insert a new citation under citation 1.214 as follows:

'Candidates offering this subject must also offer 301.'

- 40. Delete citation 1.215
- 41. Delete citation 1.216
- 42. Delete citation 1.217
- 43. Delete citation 1.218
- 44. Delete citation 1.219
- 45. Delete citation 1.220
- 46. Delete citation 1.221
- 47. Delete citation 1.222
- 48. Delete citation 1.223

- 49. Amend citation 1.224 as follows:
- '398. Special subjects in Economics'
 - 50. Amend citation 1.225 as follows:

'Special Subjects will be examined either by examination paper of assessed essay. No candidate may offer more than one Special Subject. The list of Special Subjects will be published by the Department of Economics at its 'Options Fair' at the beginning of the fourth week of the first Hilary Full Term of candidates' work for the Honour School, and will be posted on the Department's undergraduate web-site at the same time. Most special subjects may only be taken in combination with one or more of 300, 301, and 302. Depending on the availability of teaching resources, not all Special Subjects will be available in every year. There may be no Special Subjects offered in a particular year.'

- 51. Delete footnote 2 at the bottom of the regulations:
- 2 This option may not be available every year.

Explanatory Notes

Removal of the requirement to take core Economics papers in the first year of the FHS; the introduction of appropriate prerequisites for Economics options taken in the second year of the FHS.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (12/03/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Cognitive and Evolutionary Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Factual correction to text to remove the requirement to submit three electronic copies of the dissertation
- 2. Amendment to remove reference to award of a Distinction as covered by General Regulation.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcicandevolanth/studentview/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for all students on course.

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.2 as follows:
- '2. Candidates will be required to present themselves for written and (if requested by the examiners) oral examinations and to submit three copies of a dissertation in a prescribed form on an approved topic as defined in (6) and (7) below.'
 - 2. Delete citation 1.9
 - 3. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:

<u>'940</u>. 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 resubmit them once, as the case may be.'

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (12/03/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Criminology and Criminal Justice

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Updates to the Schedule;
- 2. Amendment to remove reference to award of a Distinction as covered by General Regulation.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcicandcrimjust/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Delete citation 1.14
- 2. Amend citation 1.15 as follows:
- '98. Arrangements for reassessment shall be as follows:'
 - 3. Insert the following as a new citation after citation 1.25:

'Global Criminology'

4. Insert the following as a new citation after citation 1.30:

'Psychology, Law and Criminal Justice'

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Quality Assurance Committee (16/11/2018) and by Education Committee (18/03/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Refugee and Forced Migration Studies

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Amendments to Paper I and Paper III to facilitate the introduction of a new core course in *Borders and Forced Migration*.
- 2. Amendment to the method of assessment of the Research Design Essay.
- 3. Minor structural changes.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbciraforcmigrstud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.2 as follows:
- '2. Every candidate will be required to satisfy the examiners in three papers and two essay papers as follows:
- 2. Every candidate will be required to satisfy the examiners in three written papers, an individual research design essay, and a thesis as follows:'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.3 as follows:

'Paper I: International Legal and Ethical Sociological frameworks'

Amend citation 1.4 as follows:

'International legal and ethical sociological frameworks in relation to refugees and displaced persons. International and domestic application of individual and group rights to displaced persons and refugees. Activities and involvement of the relevant international organs, governments, and intergovernmental and non-governmental organisations relevant to forced migration. Concepts of migration and intervention and their justifications. Ethical issues raised by migration. Border enforcement, deportation, detention, and security. Post-colonial perspectives and criminological perspectives on forced migration.'

4. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

'Environmental and development-induced displacement. Poverty and vulnerability. Impact of forced migrants on host populations and governments. Agency, coping mechanisms and survival strategies of affected populations. Nationalism, ethnicity and group identity. Consequences of resettlement programmes for livelihood and economic autonomy. Repatriation and local-level social reconstruction. Institutional responses to forced migrants. Refugees and regional politics. The history and politics of humanitarian aid. Ethical issues raised by migration. Gender and forced migration.'

- 5. Move citations 1.9, 1.10 and 1.11 after citation 1.14 so that the sections on the *Individual Research Design Essay* (citations 1.12, 1.13, and 1.14) appear before sections on the multidisciplinary thesis.
- 6. Amend citation 1.12 as follows:

'Research Methods Group Essay Individual Research Design Essay'

7. Amend citation 1.13 as follows:

'Each student must display an understanding of research methods relevant to forced migration. This will be in the form of a group an individual research design essay of approximately, but no more than 53,000 words. The essay will 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.'

- 8. Delete citation 1.15
- 9. Insert the following text after citation 1.16:
- 4. Candidates may be required to attend an oral examination, which may be on one or more of the candidate's written examinations, research design essay, or thesis.
- 5. A candidate who fails the examination will be permitted to retake it on one further occasion only, not later than one year after the initial attempt.

Explanatory Notes

1. Paper I: Legal and Sociological Frameworks currently covers two courses in International Human Rights and Refugee Law and Movement and Morality. A new core course in

Borders and Forced Migration will replace Movement and Morality for students starting from MT 2019, necessitating a change to the name and content of Paper I. Movement and Morality will be moved to the options pool examined through Paper III: Contemporary issues in the study of Forced Migration.

- 2. The *Research Methods* course is currently assessed by a 5,000 word research design group essay. This course will be assessed by a 3,000 word individual research design essay for students starting from MT 2019, having taken into account feedback from both faculty and students.
- 3. The opportunity has been taken to make a number of logical structural changes to the regulations to move the *Research Methods* course sections above the *Multidisciplinary Thesis*, and separate information about oral examinations and retakes into separate clauses.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (12/03/2019)

Honour School of Jurisprudence (Course 1)

Brief note about nature of change: Removal of the requirement to submit physical copies of the Jessup Moot memorials.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsoj-c1/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT2019

For first examination from 2020-21

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.43 as follows:
- '(i) By noon on the day after the deadline for submission of memorials to the Jessup Moot Competition, as published in the Undergraduate Handbook, (or if that deadline falls on a Friday, by noon of the following Monday), one of the option candidates must submit in electronic form the following items to the Examination Schools on behalf of all of the candidates taking the option:'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.46 as follows:

'By the same deadline, the candidate must submit the memorials in electronic form to the Law Faculty examination secretary so they can be scrutinised by plagiarism detection software. The marks for the memorials will constitute 50 per cent of the total mark for the Jessup Moot option.'

Explanatory Notes

Currently the regulations state that candidates undertaking the Jessup Moot option must

submit copies of the Jessup Moot memorials both in hard copy and in electronic form. General practice in the Faculty is now to require submission in electronic form only.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (12/03/2019)

Honour School of Jurisprudence (Course 2)

Brief note about nature of change: Removal of the requirement to submit physical copies of the Jessup Moot memorials.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsoj-c2/administratorview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT2019

For first examination from 2021-22

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.49 as follows:
- '(i) By noon on the day after the deadline for submission of memorials to the Jessup Moot Competition, as published in the Undergraduate Handbook, (or if that deadline falls on a Friday, by noon of the following Monday), one of the option candidates must submit in electronic form the following items to the Examination Schools on behalf of all of the candidates taking the option:'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.52 as follows:

'By the same deadline, the candidate must submit the memorials in electronic form to the Law Faculty examination secretary so they can be scrutinised by plagiarism detection software. The marks for the memorials will constitute 50 per cent of the total mark for the Jessup Moot option.'

Explanatory Notes

Currently the regulations state that candidates undertaking the Jessup Moot option must

submit copies of the Jessup Moot memorials both in hard copy and in electronic form. General practice in the Faculty is now to require submission in electronic form only.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (07/05/2019) and by Education Committee (10/05/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Refugee and Forced Migration Studies

Brief note about nature of change:

Amendments to Paper I and Paper III to cancel the introduction of a new core course in *Borders and Forced Migration*, and a correction to the changes published in the *Gazette* edition 02 May 2019.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbciraforcmigrstud/studentview/, and the Gazette as of 02 May 2019.

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.3 as follows:

'Paper I: International Legal and Ethical Sociological frameworks'

2. Amend citation 1.4 as follows:

'International legal and ethical sociological frameworks in relation to refugees and displaced persons. International and domestic application of individual and group rights to displaced persons and refugees. Activities and involvement of the relevant international organs, governments, and intergovernmental and non-governmental organisations relevant to forced migration. Concepts of migration and intervention and their justifications. <a href="https://example.com/ethical-personal-refugees-active

3. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

'Environmental and development-induced displacement. Poverty and vulnerability. Impact of forced migrants on host populations and governments. Agency, coping mechanisms and survival strategies of affected populations. Nationalism, ethnicity and group identity. Consequences of resettlement programmes for livelihood and economic autonomy. Repatriation and local-level social reconstruction. Institutional responses to forced migrants. Refugees and regional politics. The history and politics of humanitarian aid. Ethical issues raised by migration. Gender and forced migration. Border enforcement, deportation, detention, and security. Post-colonial perspectives and criminological perspectives on forced migration.'

Explanatory Notes

A previous edition of the *Gazette* (02 May 2019) introduced the following change to the programme:

'Paper I: Legal and Sociological Frameworks currently covers two courses in International Human Rights and Refugee Law and Movement and Morality. A new core course in Borders and Forced Migration will replace Movement and Morality for students starting from MT 2019, necessitating a change to the name and content of Paper I. Movement and Morality will be moved to the options pool examined through Paper III: Contemporary issues in the study of Forced Migration.'

The new core course in *Borders and Forced Migration* will now be introduced to the options pool examined through Paper III for students starting from MT2019. *Movement and Morality* will remain a core course examined through Paper I for students starting from MT2019.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee on 11 December 2018

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation

Honour School of Economics and Management

Brief note about nature of change: Introduction of a new management option.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsoeconandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting the FHS from MT 2019-20

For first FHS examination from 2020-21

Detail of change

1. Insert after citation 1.99 as follows (new text underlined):

(10) Global Business History

Theoretical foundations of global business history; patterns of economic development within and among nations; varieties of capitalism, changing nature of the corporation; emergence of professions; evolution of trading relationships; relationship between the state and corporation; role of family firms, non-profits, and cooperatives; development of management theory; organisational cultures; consumerism and the demand for goods; composition of the workforce; theories of technological change and innovation; financialisation of the global economy; evolving forms of capitalism.

Students taking the Global Business History option are expected to attend the lecture

course during their first year of the Final Honours School.

(a) Assessment

Global Business History will be examined by an assessed extended essay. Candidates will write a business history case study accompanied by a teaching note that sets out the pedagogical purpose of the case and its theoretical importance.

(b) Authorship and origin

No essay shall exceed 10,000 words including the main body of text, tables, figures, and diagrams, appendices, footnotes, and references. There will be two parts to the essay – a historical case study (7,500 words maximum) and a teaching note (2,500 words maximum).

(c) Submission of assessed work

Candidates must upload their essay to the course WebLearn site by no later than noon on Thursday of Week 0 of Trinity Full Term in the year the final examination is taken. Candidates must also upload a declaration of authorship confirming the essay is their own work.'

Explanatory Notes

Introduces a new management option in "Global Business History".

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on 28 May 2019

Title of Programme

Research Degrees in Archaeology

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

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018* http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/rdegrinarch/

Effective date

With immediate effect, for all students

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.28 as follows (new text underlined):

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

2. Amend citation 1.29 as follows (new text underlined):

"A thesis for the DPhil in Archaeological Science or the DPhil in Archaeology 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."

Explanatory Notes

Change to expand the article-based thesis route to include the DPhil in Archaeology

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (12/03/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Nature, Society, and Environmental Governance

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Amendment to the assessment of the Research Skills course.
- 2. Amendment to remove reference to award of a Distinction as covered by General Regulation.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcin-sandenvigove/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.4 as follows:
- (i) a written examination of three three-hour papers as described in the schedule;
- (i) a written examination of one two-hour paper in Research Skills and two three-hour papers in Theory and Analysis and Policy and Governance.'
 - 2. Insert the following text after citation 1.5:
- (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.
- '(iii) a policy brief based upon the fieldtrip undertaken in Hilary Term. The policy brief 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.'

3. Amend citation 1.6 as follows:

'(iii) (iv) a dissertation on a subject selected in consultation with the supervisor and the Course Director and approved by the Course and Academic Directors.'

4. Delete citation 1.14

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

Explanatory Notes

The Research Skills core course is currently assessed by a three-hour written examination paper. Feedback and discussion with the External Examiner has led the School to reconsider whether a three-hour written examination is the most appropriate way of assessing the skills-based and applied aspects of Research Skills. One area of the course that is not currently summatively assessed is the small group research projects students design and carry out during the Hilary Term fieldtrip, and it was agreed to develop a summative assessment for the fieldtrip which will examine students' ability to synthesise primary and secondary evidence collected during their fieldwork in the form of a policy brief. The policy brief shall constitute one-third of the Research Skills course, and the existing three-hour written examination paper has been reduced to two-hours with candidates answering two questions to accommodate the introduction of the new coursework assessment.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (14/02/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Political Theory Research

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Require electronic submission of theses;
- 2. Remove reference to award of distinction as covered by General Regulations

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcipolitheorese/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.14 as follows:

Each candidate must submit a thesis of not more than 15,000 words, excluding bibliography. Two hard copies, together with a copy on CD or USB flash drive, must be submitted to the Examination Schools The thesis must be submitted electronically by noon on the last Friday of August following the end of Trinity Full Term. It must be accompanied by a separate signed declaration that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated and that it has not previously been submitted for assessment, either at Oxford or at another institution. The thesis must be clearly marked with the candidate's examination number, the title of the thesis and the words M.Sc. in Political Theory Research. On submitting the thesis, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration of authorship. The examiners shall exclude from consideration any part of the thesis which is not the candidate's own work or which has been or will be submitted to satisfy the requirements of another course, and the examiners shall have power to require the candidate to produce for their inspection the work so submitted or to be submitted. After the

examination process is complete, each successful candidate must deposit one hardbound copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library.

2. Delete citation 1.16:

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

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (14/02/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Politics Research

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Require electronic submission of theses;
- 2. Remove reference to award of distinction as covered by General Regulations

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinpolirese/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.16 as follows:

'The Thesis

Each candidate must submit a thesis of not more than 15,000 words, excluding bibliography_and any methodological appendices. Two hard copies, together with a copy on CD or USB flash drive, must be submitted to the Examination Schools The thesis must be submitted electronically by noon on the last Friday of August following the end of Trinity Full Term. It must be accompanied by a separate signed declaration that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated and that it has not previously been submitted for assessment, either at Oxford or at another institution. The thesis must be clearly marked with the candidate's examination number, the title of the thesis and the words M.Sc. in Politics Research. On submitting the thesis, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration of authorship. The examiners shall exclude from consideration any part of the thesis which is not the candidate's own work or which has been or will be submitted

to satisfy the requirements of another course, and the examiners shall have power to require the candidate to produce for their inspection the work so submitted or to be submitted. After the examination process is complete, each successful candidate must deposit one hardbound copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library.

For a candidate to pass the degree of M.Sc. in Politics Research, the candidate must pass: the *Research Methods in Political Science* paper (all elements of coursework and the Research Design Proposal), the written examination paper (*Comparative Government* or *European Governance*), and the thesis.

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

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (14/02/2019) and by Education Committee (24/05/2019)

Master of Philosophy in International Relations

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Require electronic submission of theses;
- 2. Remove reference to award of distinction as covered by General Regulations

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopininterela/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT2018

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.12 as follows:
- '1. A thesis of not more than 30,000 words, excluding bibliography, to be delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, submitted electronically by noon on Monday in the first week of the Trinity Full Term in which the examination is to be taken. Two hard copies of the thesis, together with a copy on CD or USB flash drive, must be accompanied by a separate signed declaration that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated and that it has not previously been submitted for assessment, either at Oxford or at another institution. On submitting the thesis, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration of authorship. The examiners shall exclude from consideration any part of the thesis which is not the candidate's own work or which has been or will be submitted to satisfy the requirements of another course, and the examiners shall have power to require the candidate to produce for their inspection the work so submitted or to be submitted. After the examination process is complete, each successful candidate must

deposit one hardbound copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library.'

2. Delete citation 1.15:

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

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (14/02/2019) and Education Committee (24/05/2019)

Master of Philosophy in Politics (Comparative Government, Political Theory, European Politics and Society)

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Require electronic submission of theses;
- 2. Remove reference to award of distinction as covered by General Regulations

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopip-cg-ptepasoci/administratorview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT2018

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.23 as follows:
- '(1) A thesis of not more than 30,000 words, excluding bibliography and any methodological appendices. Two hard copies, together with a copy on CD or USB flash drive, must be submitted to the Examination Schools The thesis must be submitted electronically by noon on the Monday of first week of Trinity Term. It must be accompanied by a separate signed declaration that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated and that it has not previously been submitted for assessment, either at Oxford or at another institution On submitting the thesis, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration of authorship. The examiners shall exclude from consideration any part of the thesis which is not the candidate's own work or which has been or will be submitted to satisfy the requirements of another course, and the examiners shall have power to require the candidate to produce for their inspection the work so submitted or to be submitted. After the

examination process is complete, each successful candidate must deposit one hardbound copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library.'

2. Amend citation 1.25 as follows:

'Candidates may, with special permission of the Politics Graduate Studies Committee, offer subjects outside this list. Applications must be made by the last Friday of the Trinity Term preceding that in which the examination is to be taken, and must be supported by the candidate's supervisor. Supervisors should ensure that applications are submitted as early as possible so that if approval is not granted the candidate has sufficient time to choose an alternative.

When candidates sit optional papers offered at departments other than the Department of Politics and International Relations, they are bound by the regulations of the M.Phil. in Politics.

The Examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination, on the basis of the work submitted to them in both the Qualifying Test and the Final Examination.'

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (07/06/2019)

Research Degrees in Economics

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Amendment to the terminology used to describe papers/subjects
- 2.Remove the statement detailing the specific requirements needed to pass the Qualifying Examination as included in the Course Handbook.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/rdegrinecon/

Effective date

For students starting from MT2019

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.4 as follows:

'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 subject 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. Amend citation 1.6 as follows:

'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 subject and three second year papers subjects, or five second year papers subjects.

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.'

3. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

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

4. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:

'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 subject in the Trinity Term following completion of the teaching for that paper subject. A student who does not achieve the required mark is allowed to re-sit that paper subject once more when next offered, unless a special dispensation is obtained from the Graduate Studies Committee. Where a student fails a paper subject 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 subject on the second attempt they will be withdrawn from the Register of Graduate Students.'

5. Amend citation 1.16 as follows:

'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 subject, a deferral of Transfer of Status will granted automatically as set out in section 2 above.'

Explanatory Notes

- 1. In order to include alternative methods of examination, the term 'paper' is to be changed to 'subject'. This amendment has already been made in the examination regulations for the MPhil in Economics, of which this regulation is derivative.
- 2. The paragraph in question is a replication of the Course Handbook for the Doctor of Philosophy in Economics, which is the most appropriate place for this information.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (07/06/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Economics for Development

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Amendment to terminology used to describe the extended essay/dissertation

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcieconfordeve/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:
- '(b) an extended essay a dissertation.
 - 2. Amend citation 1.9 as follows:

'The extended essay <u>dissertation</u> shall be on a topic falling within the general field of development economics. The <u>essay</u> topic shall be selected by the student in consultation with the supervisor, and approved by the Course Director by the end of the first week of the Trinity Full Term in which the examination is taken. The maximum length and form of the <u>extended essay dissertation</u> and instructions for submission will be communicated to candidates by the Chair of Examiners.'

Explanatory Notes

The MSc in Economics for Development has five assessment units: four written exam papers and an Extended Essay. The Extended Essay is the degree's dissertation, but this

is not immediately clear from the current term used, and it is proposed to replace the term 'extended essay' with 'dissertation' in the examination regulations and throughout the course documentation.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (07/06/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Social Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Amendment to timing of assessment for Paper 1

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinsocianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.6 as follows:

'(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 Friday of the seventh 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.'

2. Amend citation 1.15 as follows:

'Paper 1 is <u>assessed examined</u> 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:'

Explanatory Notes

The current essay title release date for Paper 1 has caused an undue amount of anxiety amongst the student cohort as they were presented with the essay questions before they had received half of the material on which they were to be examined. A later essay title release date of Friday of the seventh week of Michaelmas term would not unfairly reduce the amount of time students have to work on their essays as students are not expected, or often able, to commence work on their essays until a later point in term when they have received the majority of taught content. The remaining assignments for the course are all due in Trinity term, so the change will not have a negative impact on overall workload.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (07/06/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Taxation (part-time)

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Introduction of a time limit on re-sitting the *Tax Principles and Policy* examination.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcit-p-time/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT2019

For first examination from 2020/21

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:
- '10. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in the assessment of any one of the components (other than <u>Tax Principles and Policy and</u> 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. <u>Candidates who fail the examination in Tax Principles and Policy may re-sit the examination on one, but no more than one, occasion. <u>Candidates must re-sit the Tax Principles and Policy examination at the first opportunity, which will be in Week 10 of the Trinity Term of the first year.</u> 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.'</u>

Explanatory Notes

The introduction of a time limit on re-sitting the Tax Principles and Policy examination is proposed in response to the inclusion of time limits on re-sitting taught course examinations

in General Regulations with effect from entry in MT2019.

The examination re-sit for this paper has always been held on the state specified, but this information had previously only been held in the MSc in Taxation examination conventions

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (07/06/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Visual, Material, and Museum Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Amendment to timing of assessment for Paper 1

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbciv-mandmuseanth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.6 as follows:

'(i) one essay of no more than 5,000 words for Paper 1 on the syllabus described in the Schedule; for Paper 1 a list of essay titles will be announced no later than-Monday of the fourth Friday of the seventh week of Michaelmas Term. The essay, together with any associated non-textual materials, must be submitted electronically via WebLearn not later than noon of the Tuesday of the first week of Hilary 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.'

Explanatory Notes

The current essay title release date for Paper 1 has caused an undue amount of anxiety amongst the student cohort as they were presented with the essay questions before they had received half of the material on which they were to be examined. A later essay title

release date of Friday of the seventh week of Michaelmas term would not unfairly reduce the amount of time students have to work on their essays as students are not expected, or often able, to commence work on their essays until a later point in term when they have received the majority of taught content. The remaining assignments for the course are all due in Trinity term, so the change will not have a negative impact on overall workload.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of the Social Sciences Divisional Quality Assurance Committee (27/05/2019) and by Officers on behalf of the Humanities Divisional Board (31/05/2019).

Honour School of Philosophy, Politics and Economics

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Minor amendments to the content of Advanced Paper in Theories of Justice (paper 229)
- 2. Introduction of a new paper in Comparative Political Economy (paper 230)

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsop-poliandecon/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2020-21

Detail of change

- 1. Insert the following text as a new citation after existing citation 1.80 as follows:
- '229. Advanced Paper in Theories of Justice
- 230. Comparative Political Economy'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.164 as follows:

Theories of justice often focus on adults who lack any disabilities <u>and are in good health</u>, who live in a single society with no history of injustice and who are contemporaries. This paper aims to examine the questions that arise when we broaden the focus of justice beyond these confines <u>and consider how to apply principles of justice to real world policy questions</u>. In particular, it examines what principles of justice should apply with respect to

- (i) future generations; (ii) historic injustice; (iii) global politics and those who are not cocitizens or co-nationals; (iv) those with disabilities; and (v) children; (vi) health care; and (vii) unconditional basic income policy.'
 - 3. Insert the following text as a new citation after existing citation 1.164 as follows:

<u>'230 Comparative Political Economy</u>

The study of comparative political economy examines the relationship between politics and economics across nations. Candidates will be required to show both theoretical and empirical knowledge of this relationship, drawing on the texts from the course reading list. In addition, candidates are expected to draw on multiple countries in their work. Students should demonstrate their knowledge from the course by engaging with the paper's central themes, namely: i) the balance struck between economic efficiency and social inequality across countries; ii) the historical development of national political and economic institutions; iii) comparisons of how nations differently organise their market economies and administer welfare provision; iv) the politics of economic performance, redistribution and inequality; v) the extent to which the political economies of both economically developed democracies and large developing economies are presently changing.'

Explanatory Notes

- Minor amendments to the content of paper 229: Currently there are relatively few
 topics to fill the allocated lecture time for this paper, and setting the examination
 paper can be difficult as a result. The introduction of two more topics to the paper
 will help resolve this difficulty. Both topics are extensively discussed in
 contemporary scholarly literature.
- 2. Introduction of a new standing paper in Comparative Political Economy: Comparative Political Economy is currently a Special Subject in Politics and it is proposed to remove the paper from the list of Special Subjects and introduce the paper as a regular standing paper. The change removes the restriction on students taking Comparative Political Economy in combination with the department's other Special Subject in Politics, a situation which has seen students apply for and receive dispensation from the regulations. The change enables greater student choice and enables students to take the paper in either the second or third year of their course (currently Special Subjects in Politics are only offered to finalists).

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Quality Assurance Committee (97/06/2019)

Master of Business Administration (Full-time)

Brief note about nature of change:

Amendment to prevent students taking an MBA elective they have previously taken as part of another degree programme

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mofbusiadmi/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.33 as follows (new text underlined):

'A list of electives will be published by the MBA Director no later than the preceding term. Candidates who have taken an MBA elective as part of another degree programme successfully completed at Oxford cannot normally take the same elective again as part of the MBA.'

Explanatory Notes

Change to prevent students who have taken an MBA elective as part of another degree programme from taking the same elective again as part of the MBA.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (07/06/2019)

Master of Philosophy in Criminology and Criminal Justice

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Amendment to require electronic submission of theses
- 2. Minor factual corrections to text

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopicandcrimjust/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:

'Every candidate must pass a qualifying test by the end of the third term from the beginning of the course, which shall consist of the elements as specified in cll. 3-76 of the examination regulations for the M.Sc. in Criminology and Criminal Justice.'

2. Amend citation 1.11 as follows:

'Candidates who fail the qualifying test may be allowed to be reassessed, as specified in cl. 40 7 of the examination regulations for the M.Sc. in Criminology and Criminal Justice.'

3. Amend citation 1.12 as follows:

'67 (b) Final examination (Part 2)'

4. Amend citation 1.13 as follows:

Candidates shall follow a course of instruction in Empirical Research Methods, satisfy the examiners that they have completed to the required standard such tests or exercises in Research Methods as prescribed as part of such a course of instruction, and be examined by thesis which must not exceed 30,000 words and should not normally be less than 25,000 words. Candidates are required to deliver two typewritten copies of the thesis to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon on Friday of Week Eight of the Trinity Term in which the examination is to be taken. The thesis shall be submitted electronically by noon on Friday of Week 8 of the Trinity term in which the examination is taken. On submitting the thesis, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration that the thesis is the candidate's own work.'

- 5. Delete citation reference 1.15:
- '7. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'
 - 6. Amend citation 1.17 as follows:

'Candidates who fail, or withdraw from, either Qualitative Methods or Quantitative Analysis for Social Scientists may resubmit assessments in line with cl. 407 of the examination regulations for the MSc in Criminology and Criminal Justice.'

7. Amend citation 1.19 as follows:

'Candidates who fail, or withdraw from, the M.Phil. thesis may resubmit the thesis to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon on Friday of Week 8 of the term following publication of their results. Such candidates who have completed successfully all or part of any of the other components may carry forward the marks gained for the successfully completed parts of the degree.'

Explanatory Notes

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (18/06/2019)

Honour School of Economics and Management

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Amendment to the 'Labour Economics' option paper title

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, https://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsoeconandmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students who started the FHS in MT 2018

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.47 as follows
- (5) Labour Economics and Industrial Relations Labour Economics and Inequality (222)

Explanatory Notes

Option paper title change of 'Labour Economics and Industrial Relations' as 'Labour Economics and Inequality' to better reflect the taught content. No content change proposed. The option is taken in the final year of the FHS only.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (18/06/2019)

Honour School of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Amendment to the 'Labour Economics' option paper title

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, https://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsop-poliandecon/studentview/

Effective date

For students who started the FHS in MT2018

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.73 as follows:
- '222. Labour Economics and Industrial Relations Labour Economics and Inequality (307)'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.94 as follows:
- '307. Labour Economics and Industrial Relations Labour Economics and Inequality (222)'
 - 3. Amend citation 1.146 as follows:
- '222. Labour Economics and Industrial Relations Labour Economics and Inequality'
 - 4. Amend citation 1.189 as follows:
- '307. Labour Economics and Industrial Relations Labour Economics and Inequality'

Explanatory Notes

Option paper title change of 'Labour Economics and Industrial Relations' as 'Labour Economics and Inequality' to better reflect the taught content. No content change proposed. The option is taken in the final year of the FHS only.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Quality Assurance Committee (17/11/17) and Education Committee (23/08/18)

Research Degrees in International Development

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Introduction of a part-time variant of the DPhil in International Development
- 2. Introduction of a separate set of regulations for 'Research Degrees in International Development'

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2019

Effective date

From MT 2019

Detail of change

Insert text as follows:

'1. Governance

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

2. Attendance requirements

The DPhil in International Development 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 up to 48 days in the first year of registration depending on the choice of paper 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.

3. Qualifying Examination

Probationer Research Students in International Development are required to take a Qualifying Examination, unless exempted by the Graduate Studies Committee on the grounds of an appropriate previous graduate degree. The examination shall consist of any course listed for the MPhil in Development Studies or an appropriate course from another postgraduate degree at the Oxford University, as agreed by the Course Director for the option, Director of Graduate Studies and Graduate Studies Committee. Details of the required course will be conveyed to the student when the offer of a place is made. Probationer Research Students are required to pass the Qualifying Examination.

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

4. Transfer to MLitt or DPhil status

Candidates will normally be expected to achieve Transfer of Status in their third or fourth term after admission (or in their sixth to eighth term after admission for part-time students). Applications should be submitted to the Divisional Senior Graduate Studies Administrator 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 an outline of the proposed research; and

(c) a transfer paper of no more than 10,000 words, which justifies and locates the research in relation to earlier work in the field, sets out the questions on which it will focus and explains the methods by which these will be answered.

<u>Candidates will also be required to present their research plan at a Transfer Preparation Workshop.</u>

To successfully achieve Transfer of Status, students must have satisfactorily passed the Qualifying Examination. In cases where a full-time student is required to re-sit the paper, a deferral of Transfer of Status will be granted automatically as set out in section 3 above.

The Graduate Studies Committee will appoint two assessors who will read the transfer paper, 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) 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 nor to the MLitt,

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 not later than the eighteenth term for part-time students). Students admitted directly to DPhil status having completed the full-time MPhil in Development Studies 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 Development Studies.

<u>Applications should be submitted to the Divisional Senior Graduate Studies Administrator</u> and will comprise the following:

- (a) a completed Confirmation of Status application form and appointment of assessor form; and
- (b) a comprehensive outline (up to 3,000 words) of the treatment of the thesis topic including details of progress made and an indication of the anticipated timetable for submission; and
- (c) a written submission of between 15,000 to 20,000 words of the main thesis which may be one chapter or parts of two or more chapters. The submission should be core material based on fieldwork or other research.

The Graduate Studies Committee will appoint two assessors 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 be granted an extension of one term (up to two terms for part-time students) if necessary. 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.

6. Theses

DPhil theses which exceed 100,000 words and MLitt theses which exceed 50,000 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 theses

A D.Phil. thesis may be accepted for examination either in the form of an articles-based thesis if it consists of a minimum of three published articles or articles intended for future publication, or as an integrated thesis which may include one or more published articles or articles intended for future publication combined with one or more conventional chapters.

Such a body of work shall be deemed acceptable provided it represents a coherent body of research. It should include an introduction placing the individual papers in context, a literature review, and an overall conclusion. The articles-based or integrated thesis should reflect the amount, originality and level of work expected for a conventional thesis. Current word limits and conditions remain in place. Co-authored work will only be permitted under exceptional circumstances, and with the approval of the supervisor(s) and Graduate

Studies Committee. Where co-authored articles are included, the supervisor(s) and all co-authors must certify in writing to the Graduate Studies Committee that the majority of that work represents the work of the candidate. Co-authored work with supervisors is not normally permitted.

Candidates wishing to submit an articles-based or integrated thesis must obtain permission from their supervisor and the Department's Graduate Studies Committee before applying for Confirmation of D.Phil. status. If, after an application is accepted, a candidate wishes to revert to a standard D.Phil. thesis format, the candidate must submit an application to their supervisor and the Department's Graduate Studies Committee showing good cause for the change. Students applying for Confirmation of Status will be required to submit a statement of the intended basis for the overall coherence of the work, and may submit draft articles in place of draft chapters.

Further guidance can be found in the Course Handbook.'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of a part-time variant of the DPhil in International Development.

Previously the regulations for Research Degrees in International Development have been held in the 'Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development' section of the regulations:

http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/rdispaisandintedeve/. The introduction of the part-time variant provides opportunity to separate out the DPhil in International Development regulations into its own page, and to transfer the regulations to the new approved Divisional template for DPhil course regulations. See separate notice in this edition of the Gazette for the discontinuation of the 'Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development' regulation.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action (04/07/2019)

Research Degrees in Law

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Amendments in response to changes to the MPhil courses in the Faculty of Law
- 2. Transfer the existing regulations into the new Divisional template for DPhil course regulations

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/rdegrinlaw/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

Detail of change

Insert the following text at the beginning of the regulations:

1. Governance

The DPhil in Law and the DPhil in Socio-Legal Studies shall be under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Law. The DPhil in Criminology shall be under the supervision of the Criminology Board of Studies.

2. Attendance requirements

The DPhil programmes 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 DPhil students are required to undertake 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 unless individually dispensed by the Law Faculty Graduate Studies Committee

or the Criminology Board of Studies. Attendance arrangements must take account of relevant induction and training events scheduled by the Centre for Criminology.

3. Transfer to MLitt or DPhil status

Students will normally be admitted as Probationer Research Students and, unless they have already completed the MPhil in Law, the MPhil in Socio-Legal Research or the MPhil in Criminology and Criminal Justice, must follow a course on instruction in Research Methodology appropriate to the qualification and must satisfy the assessors that they have completed to the required standard such tests or exercises as may be prescribed by the Graduate Studies Committee or the Board of Studies. Where the Graduate Studies Committee or Board of Studies judges that it has sufficient evidence of a student's proficiency in Research Methodology, it may in exceptional circumstances dispense a student from this requirement.

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

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

Part A:

- (i) a completed transfer of status application form and Law 2 Qualifying Test form;
- (ii) two copies of a statement of no more than 2,000 words of the subject of the proposed thesis and details of the manner in which the student proposes to treat it.

Part B:

(i) Two copies of a piece of written work of no more than 10,000 words, relevant to the subject of the proposed thesis. Students who have successfully completed the MPhil in Law, the MPhil in Socio-Legal Research, or the MPhil in Criminology and Criminal Justice will not normally be required to submit Part B (unless the proposed topic of their DPhil thesis has significantly changed from the MPhil) but may be required to provide the assessors with the MPhil thesis, at their request.

Full details of requirements can be found in the relevant course handbook.

The Graduate Studies Committee/Board of Studies will appoint two assessors who will read the work, interview the student and submit a recommendation to the committee in a written report. The Graduate Studies Committee/Board of Studies 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) is permitted to make one further application and will be granted an extension of one term (up to two terms for part-time students) to Probationer Research Student status if necessary. Students may be required to resubmit Part A only, Part B only, or both Part A and Part B. If after a second attempt, the Graduate Studies Committee/Board of Studies can neither approve transfer to the DPhil

nor to the MLitt, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

4. Confirmation of Status

Applications for Confirmation of Status shall normally be made no earlier than the sixth term (twelfth term for part-time students), and Confirmation of Status must normally be completed no later than three terms (six terms for part-time students) after Transfer to DPhil status.

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

- (a) a completed confirmation of status form and Law 5 form;
- (b) <u>a statement giving the title of the thesis</u>, and <u>summarising each component chapter in approximately 100 words per chapter</u>;
- (c) an overview of the intended thesis of approximately 1,000 words, stating how much of the thesis is complete and how much remains to be completed (with an estimate of the probable date of submission);
- (d) two copies of a piece of written work, normally of between 20,000-30,000 words intended to form part of the thesis.

Full details of requirements can be found in the relevant course handbook.

The Graduate Studies Committee/Board of Studies will appoint two assessors who will read the work, interview the student and submit a recommendation to the committee in a written report. The Graduate Studies Committee/Board of Studies 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 (up to two terms for part-time students) if necessary. If after the second attempt the Graduate Studies Committee/Board of Studies can neither approve the application nor approve transfer to the MLitt, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

5. Theses

Theses for the Degree of DPhil must not exceed 100,000 words, and theses for the Degree of MLitt must not exceed 50,000 words, including all footnotes and appendices, but excluding the abstract, the table of contents, any table of cases, any table of statutes, the bibliography, any headers or footers, and any index. Any thesis exceeding these limits is liable to be rejected unless prior dispensation has been granted by the Graduate Studies Committee/Board of Studies on the advice of the student's supervisor. The format of theses must conform to the statements set out in the relevant course handbook.'

Explanatory Notes

A small number of changes to the regulations are required in response to changes to the MPhil courses in the Faculty of Law. Opportunity has also been taken to move the regulations for students starting from MT 2019 into the new approved Divisional template

for DPhil course regulations.		

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Quality Assurance Committee (09/10/17) and Education Committee (17/07/18)

Research Degrees in Migration Studies

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Introduction of a new full-time and part-time DPhil in Migration Studies

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2019

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

Detail of change

Insert text as follows:

1. Governance

The DPhil in Migration Studies shall be under the supervision of the joint Graduate Studies Committee of the School of Anthropology and Museum Ethnography and the Department of International Development.

2. Attendance requirements

The DPhil in Migration Studies 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 joint Graduate Studies Committee. During a student's probationary period the attendance arrangements must take account of relevant induction and training events

scheduled by the departments.

3. Transfer to MLitt or DPhil status

<u>Candidates will normally be expected to achieve Transfer of Status in their third term (sixth term for part-time students) and not later than their fourth term after admission (eighth term for part-time students).</u>

Applications should be submitted to the Departmental Office, Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology not later than Friday of week 8 of their third term (sixth term for part-time students) and will comprise of two copies the following:

(a) a completed Transfer of Status application form; and

(b) a paragraph summary of the research question, methodological and theoretical approaches; and

(c) a research proposal of between 10,000-12,000 words; and

(d) confirmation from the supervisor that all courses identified in the Training Needs Analysis, including completion of research methods training (unless dispensed by the joint Graduate Studies Committee based on prior experience) have been satisfactorily completed.

Full details of each of the requirements are set out in the DPhil student handbook.

Candidates will also be required to give a presentation of their proposed research projects at an appropriate and agreed work in progress seminar convened by the School of Anthropology and Museum Ethnography and the Department of International Development.

The joint 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) is permitted to make one further application and will be granted an extension of one term (up to two terms for part-time students) to Probationer Research Student status if necessary. If after a second attempt, the joint Graduate Studies Committee can neither approve transfer to the DPhil nor to the MLitt, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

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 joint Graduate Studies 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.

5. Confirmation of DPhil status

Candidates will normally be expected to achieve Confirmation of Status in their seventh term (fourteenth for part-time students) and not later than their ninth term (eighteenth for part-time students).

Applications should be submitted to the Departmental Office, Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology not later than Friday of week 8 of their seventh term (fourteenth term for part-time students) and will comprise of two copies the following:

- (a) a completed Confirmation of Status application form; and
- (b) an outline structure of the thesis, consisting of chapter headings and a brief statement of the intended outcome; and
- (c) an outline timetable detailing the work completed and what activities are planned for the remaining stages; and
- (d) two completed draft chapters of the final thesis, not exceeding 20,000 words.

Applications for candidates wishing to submit using the integrated thesis format will comprise the following:

- (a) a completed Confirmation of Status application form; and
- (b) an introduction to the thesis including a statement outlining how the chapters are integrated as a complete text; and
- (c) a statement listing any papers published or accepted for publication, or under consideration for publication, outlining the candidate's contributions to any collaborative efforts; and (as a separate document) a statement of permissions from collaborators to include the work in the thesis, with each confirming the extent of the candidate's contribution;
- (d) two completed draft chapters of the final thesis, not exceeding 20,000 words.

<u>Full details of the requirements for Confirmation of Status are set out in the DPhil student</u> handbook.

All candidates will also be required to give a presentation of part of their work at a third year seminar series, workshop, or a conference in Oxford or elsewhere in the UK.

The joint Graduate Studies Committee will appoint two assessors 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 (up to two terms for part-time students) if necessary. If after the second attempt the joint Graduate Studies Committee can neither approve the application nor approve transfer to the MLitt, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

6. Theses

DPhil theses which exceed 100,000 words, and MLitt theses which exceed 50,000 words, (including notes and captions to figures within the main text, but excluding the abstract and other front matter, the bibliography, and any appendices, glossaries, etc.) are liable to be rejected unless students have, with the support of their supervisor, been granted permission to exceed the word limit by the joint Graduate Studies Committee.

Appendices should only be used to provide data sets or other factual or methodological material ancillary to the thesis proper. The main text of the thesis should contain all the information required to understand the arguments presented within it, without the need to resort to an appendix.'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of a new full-time and part-time DPhil in Migration Studies

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action (04/07/2019)

Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Introduction of a separate set of regulations for 'Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention'

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2019

Effective date

From MT 2019

Detail of change

Insert text as follows:

1. Governance

The DPhil in Social Policy and the DPhil in Social Intervention and Policy Evaluation (and for those starting before MT2019 the DPhil in Social Intervention) shall be under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Department of Social Policy and Intervention.

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 MLitt (or MSc by Research) or DPhil status

Students will normally be admitted as Probationer Research Students. Students will normally be expected to achieve Transfer of Status in their third or fourth term after

admission.

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

- (a) a completed transfer of status form and appointment of assessors form;
- (b) a provisional thesis title and research proposal;
- (c) a literature review of between 5,000 to 8,000 words;
- (d) a piece of written work relevant to the thesis of between 5,000 to 8,000 words;
- (e) a timetable for completion;
- (f) evidence of attendance of subject specific courses;
- (g) Research Ethics forms (if applicable):
- (h) Health and Safety forms (if applicable);
- (i) Skills Review and Training Needs Analysis form.

Full details of requirements can be found in the Graduate Research Students handbook.

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 Graduate Studies 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) 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 Status

<u>Students will normally be expected to achieve Confirmation of Status in their seventh term</u> and by no later than their ninth term after admission.

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

- (a) a completed confirmation of status form and appointment of assessors form;
- (b) a thesis title and abstract;
- (c) a thesis outline;
- (d) a research proposal of 4 to 5 pages;
- (e) a timetable for completion;
- (f) for the monograph thesis route at least two draft chapters, or for the thesis by papers route two draft papers;
- (g) evidence of presentation of (part of) the thesis at a seminar/conference/workshop;
- (h) Skills Review and Training Needs Analysis form.

Full details of requirements can be found in the Graduate Research Students handbook.

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 Graduate Studies Committee will then decide whether Confirmation of Status will be approved.

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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 DPhil 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

Theses for the Degree of DPhil which exceed 100,000 words, theses for the Degree of MLitt which exceed 50,000 words, and theses for the Degree of MSc by Research with exceed 25,000 words 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.

Articles-based theses

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 or DPhil in Social Intervention and Policy Evaluation. 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.

[For students starting before MT2017:

Social Intervention or Social Intervention and Policy Evaluation DPhil Pathway:

A DPhil 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 DPhil Notes for Guidance. A DPhil 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 DPhil 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 DPhil 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.]'

Explanatory Notes

Previously the regulations for Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention have been held in the 'Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development' section of the regulations:

http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/rdispaisandintedeve/. The introduction of part-time variants of research degrees in Sociology and International Development from MT 2019 provides an opportunity to separate out the regulations for each department into their own pages, and to move the regulations to the new approved Divisional template for DPhil course regulations. See the separate notice in this edition of the Gazette for the discontinuation of the 'Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development' regulation.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Quality Assurance Committee (16/11/2019) and Education Committee (05/05/2019)

Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Introduction of part-time variants of DPhil programmes with effect from MT 2020

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2019 as published in the Gazette of 25/07/2019

Effective date

From MT 2020

Detail of change

Insert text as follows (new text underlined):

'1. Governance

The DPhil in Social Policy and the DPhil in Social Intervention and Policy Evaluation (and for those starting before MT2019 the DPhil in Social Intervention) shall be under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Department of Social Policy and Intervention.

2. Attendance requirements

The DPhil programmes shall be offered on a full-time <u>and part-time</u> 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. <u>Part-time research students are required to attend for a minimum of thirty days of university-based work each 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.</u>

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

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

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

- (a) a completed transfer of status form and appointment of assessors form;
- (b) a provisional thesis title and research proposal;
- (c) a literature review of between 5,000 to 8,000 words:
- (d) a piece of written work relevant to the thesis of between 5,000 to 8,000 words;
- (e) a timetable for completion;
- (f) evidence of attendance of subject specific courses;
- (g) Research Ethics forms (if applicable);
- (h) Health and Safety forms (if applicable);
- (i) Skills Review and Training Needs Analysis form.

Full details of requirements can be found in the Graduate Research Students handbook.

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 Graduate Studies 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) 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 Status

Students will normally be expected to achieve Confirmation of Status in their seventh term and by no later than their ninth term after admission (or in their fourteenth term and no later than their eighteenth term after admission for part-time students).

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

- (a) a completed confirmation of status form and appointment of assessors form;
- (b) a thesis title and abstract;
- (c) a thesis outline;
- (d) a research proposal of 4 to 5 pages;
- (e) a timetable for completion;
- (f) for the monograph thesis route at least two draft chapters, or for the thesis by papers route two draft papers;
- (g) evidence of presentation of (part of) the thesis at a seminar/conference/workshop;
- (h) Skills Review and Training Needs Analysis form.

Full details of requirements can be found in the Graduate Research Students handbook.

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 Graduate Studies 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. If after the second attempt the DPhil 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

Theses for the Degree of DPhil which exceed 100,000 words, theses for the Degree of MLitt which exceed 50,000 words, and theses for the Degree of MSc by Research with exceed 25,000 words 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.

Articles-based theses

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 or DPhil in Social Intervention and Policy Evaluation. 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.

[For students starting before MT 2017:

Social Intervention or Social Intervention and Policy Evaluation DPhil Pathway:

A DPhil 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 DPhil Notes for Guidance. A DPhil 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 DPhil 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 DPhil 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.]'

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of part-time variants of the DPhil programmes in the Department of Social Policy and Intervention with effect from MT 2020.

A separate notice in this edition of the Gazette separates the regulations for Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention from the current regulations for 'Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development', and moves the regulations to the approved Divisional template for DPhil course regulations.

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

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Discontinue the 'Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development' regulations

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/rdispaisandintedeve/

Effective date

Regulation to apply until MT 2019

Detail of change

Delete the regulation in its entirety:

-1. Transfer to M.Litt. (or M.Sc. by Research) or D.Phil. status

Students in these subject areas will normally be expected to transfer out of Probationer Research status in their third or fourth term after admission. Applications should be submitted to the departmental Graduate Studies Committee and will comprise the following:

(a) a transfer of status form, obtainable from the relevant Graduate Studies Assistant, signed by the candidate's supervisor and an appropriate college officer. The candidate should indicate clearly on the form the status to which he or she wishes to transfer; 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.

The Graduate Studies Committee will appoint two assessors, one of whom will normally be a member of the committee, except in cases where neither of the two most appropriate assessors is a member of the committee, who will read the work, examine the candidate orally, and submit a written report to the committee.

The committee will then decide whether transfer to the status applied for will be approved. In the case of applications to transfer to D.Phil. status where the committee is not satisfied that the candidate should be allowed to make the transfer it may approve admission to M.Litt. status, (or exceptionally to M.Sc. by Research Status) or approve an extension of time in order to allow the candidate to resubmit at a later date (but before the end of the sixth term after admission to Probationer Research status). The committee may request additional written work or other evidence, or appoint an additional assessor, whenever it is considered necessary.

Individual Graduate Studies Committees may require additional tests or forms of assessment to be completed. Candidates are advised to consult the Notes of Guidance for Graduate Studies Committee.

Any candidate who is admitted to M.Litt. status (or M.Sc. by Research Status) may subsequently apply for transfer to D.Phil. status before the end of the sixth term after admission to Probationer Research status. The committee will expect to see evidence of substantial developments in the progress of the research since the transfer to M.Litt. status (or M.Sc. by Research Status) before this further transfer is approved.

Additional regulations for International Development

Probationer Research Students in International Development who have been admitted to this status but who have not received appropriate postgraduate training in a relevant aspect of development studies or of research techniques for the social sciences may, with the formal approval of the Director of Graduate Studies, the Course Director of the course concerned, and the Graduate Studies Committee for the Department of International Development, be required to attend and pass successfully any course listed for the M.Phil. in Development Studies or appropriate course from another postgraduate degree at Oxford University.

This condition shall be conveyed to the student when the offer of a place is made and in such cases transfer to D.Phil. status shall not normally be permitted until this condition

has been fulfilled.

2. Confirmation of D.Phil. status

Students who have been admitted to D.Phil. status must, not later than the ninth term or normally earlier than the sixth term after that in which he or she was initially admitted to the status of a Probationer Research Student or to the status of a student for another higher degree of the University, apply for confirmation of that status. Students would normally be expected to apply for confirmation of D.Phil. status before the end of their ninth term after admission to Probationer Research status.

Requirements for confirmation of status are:

- (a) completion of the appropriate form, obtainable from the relevant Graduate Studies Assistant, signed by the supervisor and an appropriate college officer.
- (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.
- (c) two draft chapters intended to form part of the final thesis.

The application must be submitted to the relevant Graduate Studies Committee, who will appoint assessors as appropriate. A written report on the application will be made to the committee before confirmation of D.Phil. status is approved.

If the committee does not consider that the candidate's progress warrants confirmation of status it may either (a) recommend resubmission of the application at a later date within the normal timetable (not later than six terms after admission to D.Phil. status) or (b) approve an extension of D.Phil. status in order to allow time for resubmission of the application or (c) approve transfer to M.Litt. status, or (d) reject the application.

Individual departments may require candidates to complete other tests or assessments before confirmation is approved. Candidates are advised to consult the Notes of Guidance for Graduate Students issued by each Graduate Studies Committee.

Additional regulations for International Development

Probationer Research Student entrants must confirm status by the end of the ninth term after arrival in Oxford, and entrants from the M.Phil in Development Studies must do so by the end of their eleventh term after arrival in Oxford. The comprehensive outline should be up to 3,000 words. The main submission should be between 15,000 and 20,000 words of the main thesis, which can be one chapter or parts of two or more chapters. It should be core material based on the writing up of fieldwork or other research.

3. Theses

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-M.Sc. by Research

Where, exceptionally, transfer has been allowed to M.Sc. by Research status, candidates are required to submit either a thesis or two written papers not exceeding in total 25,000 words in length.

Theses for the Degree of M.Litt. which exceed 50,000 words, theses or written papers for the M.Sc. by Research which exceed in total 25,000 words, and those for the Degree of D.Phil. which exceed 100,000 words, excluding the bibliography, are liable to be rejected unless candidates have, with the support of their supervisors, secured the leave of the appropriate Academic Studies Committee to exceed this limit. These figures are strictly *maxima*. It is not the board's intention that they should be construed as norms, and candidates are advised that many successful theses have been significantly shorter.

Additional regulations for the Department of Social Policy and Intervention

For students starting from MT 2017: 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 single-authored. 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.

[For students starting before MT 2017: 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.]

-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.

Additional regulations for the Department of International Development

Integrated theses

A D.Phil. thesis may be accepted for examination either in the form of an articlesbased thesis if it consists of a minimum of three published articles or articles intended for future publication, or as an integrated thesis which may include one or more published articles or articles intended for future publication combined with one or more conventional chapters.

Such a body of work shall be deemed acceptable provided it represents a coherent body of research. It should include an introduction placing the individual papers in context, a literature review, and an overall conclusion. The articles-based or integrated thesis should reflect the amount, originality and level of work expected for a conventional thesis. Current word limits and conditions remain in place. Co-authored work will only be permitted under exceptional circumstances, and with the approval of the supervisor(s) and Graduate Studies Committee. Where co-authored articles are included, the supervisor(s) and all co-authors must certify in writing to the Graduate Studies Committee that the majority of that work represents the work of the candidate. Co-authored work with supervisors is not normally permitted.

Candidates wishing to submit an articles-based or integrated thesis must obtain permission from their supervisor and the Department's Graduate Studies Committee before applying for Confirmation of D.Phil. status. If, after an application is accepted, a candidate wishes to revert to a standard D.Phil. thesis format, the candidate must submit an application to their supervisor and the Department's Graduate Studies Committee showing good cause for the change. Students applying for Confirmation of Status will be required to submit a statement of the intended basis for the overall coherence of the work,

and may submit draft articles in place of draft chapters.

-Further guidance can be found in the Course Handbook.'

Explanatory Notes

Previously the regulations for research degrees in Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development have been held in the current single page of regulations. The introduction of part-time variants of DPhil programmes in Sociology and International Development from MT 2019 have provided an opportunity to separate out each departments' research degrees regulations into their own separate pages. See separate notices in this edition of the Gazette: 'Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention'; 'Research Degrees in Sociology'; and 'Research Degrees in International Development'.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Quality Assurance Committee (23/04/2018) and by Education Committee (23/08/2018)

Research Degrees in Sociology

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Introduction of a part-time variant of the DPhil in Sociology
- 2. Introduction of a separate set of regulations for 'Research Degrees in Sociology'

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2019

Effective date

From MT 2019

Detail of change

Insert text as follows:

'1. Governance

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

2. Attendance requirements

The DPhil in Sociology 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 research students are required to attend for a minimum of thirty days of university-based work each 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.

3. Transfer to MLitt or DPhil status

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

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

- (a) a completed transfer of status form and appointment of assessors form;
- (b) a provisional thesis title and thesis outline;
- (c) a research proposal of between 5,000 to 7,000 words;
- (d) a piece of written work relevant to the thesis of between 5,000 to 7,000 words;
- (e) a timetable for completion;
- (f) evidence of participation in PRS and Departmental seminars;
- (g) research ethics forms (if applicable);
- (h) risk assessment forms (if applicable).

If submitting an articles-based/integrated thesis, students should also submit statement(s) on the contribution of each co-author, signed by all co-authors.

Full details of requirements can be found in the course handbook.

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 Graduate Studies 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) 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, the student will be removed from the Register of Graduate Students.

4. Confirmation of Status

Students 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 Committee and will comprise the following:

- (a) a completed confirmation of status form and appointment of assessors form:
- (b) a thesis title and abstract;
- (c) a thesis outline;

- (d) two draft chapters intended to form part of the final thesis;
- (e) a timetable for completion;
- (f) research ethics forms (if applicable);
- (g) risk assessment forms (if applicable).

If submitting an articles-based/integrated thesis, students should also submit statement(s) on the contribution of each co-author, signed by all co-authors.

Full details of requirements can be found in the course handbook.

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 Graduate Studies 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 (up to two terms for part-time students) if necessary. If after the second attempt the DPhil 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

Theses for the Degree of DPhil which exceed 100,000 words, and theses for the Degree of M.Litt. which exceed 50,000 words, 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.

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 student, 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. Students 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 student 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

Introduction of a part-time variant of the DPhil in Sociology.

Previously the regulations for Research Degrees in Sociology have been held in the 'Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development' section of the regulations: http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/rdispaisandintedeve/. The introduction of a part-time variant of the programme provides the opportunity to separate out the DPhil in Sociology regulations into its own page, and to transfer the regulations to the new approved Divisional template for DPhil course regulations. See the separate notice in this edition of the Gazette for the discontinuation of the 'Research Degrees in Social Policy and Intervention, Sociology, and International Development' regulation.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee 10/07/2019

Master of Science by Coursework in African Studies

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Amendments to the option paper assessment schedule
- 2. Deletion of reference to the award of distinction

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinafristud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.5 as follows:
- '(iii) One 4,500 word essay for one option paper, selected from a list of at least eight questions prepared by the course convenor and made available to candidates by Monday of Week 76 of Hilary Term. The essay must be submitted not later than 12 noon on the last Friday of Week 2 of Trinity Term in the year in which the examination is taken.'
 - 2. Delete citation 1.8:
- '4. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.'

Explanatory Notes

Currently the dissertation submission, 4,500 option essay submission, and three-hour written examination are all at the end of Trinity term which has led to a great amount of

pressure felt by students, and the submission of a number of deadline extension requests. Feedback has been sought from students and one of the main concerns raised was the issue of too many submissions clustered at the end of Trinity term. The proposed week 2 deadline would spread out the coursework submission more evenly throughout the year and will bring the optional essay submission deadline into line with submission in related departments. The proposed assessment schedule for the option essay is comparable to the schedule for the programme's other 4,500 word essay submitted at the beginning of Hilary term.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action on behalf of QAC (23/05/2019)

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

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Amendment to remove reference to award of Distinction as covered by *General Regulations*.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcialasecolangacqu/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Delete citation 1.8 as follows:

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

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Cognitive and Evolutionary Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Amendment to the submission date of dissertation proposed titles
- 2. Factual corrections to the content of Paper 2 and Paper 3 as described in the Schedule

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcicandevolanth/administratorview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 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 Thursday 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 electronic file 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 title page of the thesis.'

- 2. Amend citation 1.18 as follows:
- '(c) Primate and human diet and substance subsistence'
 - 3. Amend citation 1.21 as follows:
- '(a) Hominid evolutionary history History of evolutionary approaches to human behaviour '
 - 4. Amend citation 1.23 as follows:
- '(c) Kinship and inheritance Human behavioural ecology'

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action (04/07/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Comparative Social Policy

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Amendment to remove reference to an award of distinction as covered by General Regulations.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcicompsocipoli/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Delete citation 1.8 as follows:

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

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Criminology and Criminal Justice

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Amendment to the dissertation submission date

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcicandcrimjust/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.13 as follows:
- '(iv) *Dissertation*: The dissertation shall be submitted electronically by noon on Wednesday of Week Ten <u>Eight</u> of the final term. On submitting the dissertation, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration of authorship. Candidates will be contacted with details of how to submit the dissertation.'

Currently students do not receive their final degree results until the end of July due to the late dissertation submission and the necessary late final Exam Board meeting. A slightly earlier submission date is proposed to allow results to be released sooner - of particular importance to many students waiting on results for conditional offers on further study options. Week 10 of Trinity term often falls after the official course end date of 30 June and has in the past caused some problems for student submission.

SSD/2/2/4

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (07/06/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Criminology and Criminal Justice

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Amendment to the timing of assessment for assessed essays
- 2. Correction of an earlier Gazette notice of 02 May 2019

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcicandcrimjust/studentview/ as amended by the *Gazette* of 02 May 2019.

Effective date

With effect from MT 2019, for all students on course

Detail of change

Amend text as follows (new text underlined; old text struck):

- ^{1.1}1. Every candidate must follow, for at least three terms (or six in the case of part-time students), a course of instruction in Criminology and Criminal Justice.
- ^{1.2}2. There shall be a Board of Studies for the course, to be chaired by the Director of Graduate Studies for Criminology and also comprising all the members of the Board of Examiners for the Master of Science in Criminology and Criminal Justice for the current year, the Director or Assistant Director of the Centre for Criminology and a student representative (the latter for open business only).
- 1.33. The course will consist of the following elements: core courses 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.

- ^{1.4}4. The options are listed in the Schedule below.
- ^{1.5}Not all options will necessarily be taught or examined in any one year. Details of those which will be available over a two-year period will be published in the Graduate Student Handbook produced by the Centre for Criminology for the year of admission, subject to any amendment posted on the designated notice board in the Centre for Criminology by Monday of Week Minus One of the Michaelmas Term of each academic year.
- ^{1.6}5. In addition to the options set out in the Schedule, candidates may offer any other option that may be approved from time to time by regulation published in the *Gazette* by the end of Monday of Week Minus One of the Michaelmas Term of each academic year.
- ^{1.7}6. The course shall be assessed as follows:
 - ^{1.8}(i) *Criminological Theories*: Examined by a 2 hour examination in Week Nought of Hilary Term (in the first year for part-time students).
 - 1.9(ii) *Understanding Criminal Justice*: Examined by a 2 hour examination to be taken in Week Nought of Trinity Term (in the first or second year for part-time students).
 - ^{1.10}(iii) Options and Research Design and Data Collection:
 - 1.11Research Design and Data Collection, Quantitative Analysis for Social Scientists, and Qualitative Methods shall be examined by an assessed essay of 2,500 to 3,000 words (inclusive of footnotes, but excluding bibliography and appendices), to be written between Thursday Friday of Week Seven and Wednesday Thursday of Week Ten of the term in which the course runs. A choice from three titles (as determined by the Board of Examiners) will be emailed to students and posted on the designated noticeboard at the Centre for Criminology by noon on Thursday Friday of Week Seven of the relevant term. The essay shall be submitted electronically by noon on Wednesday Thursday of Week 10 of the relevant term. On submitting the essay, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration. In addition, candidates taking Quantitative Analysis for Social Scientists and/or Qualitative Methods shall be required to complete to the satisfaction of the Course Tutor for the option a form of continuous assessment, which will be approved by the Board of Studies and the details of which will be published in the Graduate Student Handbook for the relevant year.

and no more than 4,500 words (inclusive of footnotes, but excluding bibliography and appendices), for which time will be set aside during Weeks 8, 9 and 10 of Michaelmas and Hilary terms. A selection of three titles (as determined by the Board of Examiners) shall be emailed to students and posted on the designated notice board at the Centre for Criminology by noon on Thursday Friday of Week 7 of the relevant term. Each essay shall be submitted by noon on Wednesday Thursday of Week 10 of the relevant term. On submitting each essay, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration of authorship. Candidates will be contacted with details of how to submit the essay.

^{1.13}(iv) *Dissertation*: The dissertation shall be submitted electronically by noon on Wednesday of Week Ten of the final term. On submitting the dissertation, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration of authorship. Candidates will be contacted with details of how to submit the dissertation.

1-148. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.

^{1.15}97. Arrangements for reassessment shall be as follows:

^{1.16} (i) *Core Courses*: Candidates who fail, or withdraw from, either core course examination may resit the examination according to the standard timetable for examinations in the following academic year.

1.17 (ii) Options and Research Design and Data Collection: Candidates who have failed to obtain an aggregate mark of 50 per cent for assessment for the optional courses or Research Design and Data Collection, or who have withdrawn from any assessment, may resubmit assessments for which they obtained a mark of 49 per cent or less. Candidates may resubmit assessed essays, according to the standard timetable for submitting essays in the following academic year. Essays must be submitted electronically, and on submitting the essay, candidates will also be required to submit an online declaration of authorship. Candidates will be contacted with details of how to submit the essay.

1.18(iii) Continuous assessment element of Research Design and Data Collection, Quantitative Analysis for Social Scientists and Qualitative Methods: Candidates who fail to complete an assignment which forms part of the continuous assessment element of Quantitative Analysis for Social Scientists and/or Qualitative Methods to the satisfaction of the respective Course Tutor may be required to resubmit that assignment once by noon on Thursday of Week Ten of the relevant term.

^{1.19}(iv) *Dissertation*: Candidates who fail, or withdraw from, the dissertation may resubmit the dissertation by the required date in Trinity Term of the following academic year.

SCHEDULE

- ^{1.20}Comparative and Transnational Criminal Justice
- ^{1.21}Comparative Criminal Justice, Security and Human Rights
- 1.22Crime and the Family
- 1.23 Criminal Justice in Transitional Settings
- ^{1.24}Criminal Justice, Migration and Citizenship
- ^{1.25}Desistance from Crime: The Role of Criminal Justice Agencies

Global Criminology

- 1.26Law, Economics and Crime
- 1.27 Mafias
- 1.28 News Media, Crime and Policy
- 1.29 Policing Global Insecurities
- 1.30Prisons

Psychology, Law and Criminal Justice

Explanatory Note.

These regulations were previously updated to remove the reference to award of distinction and add two options to the Schedule. The changes were published in the *Gazette* of 02 May 2019. However, the notice was placed for students entering in MT2019 only, and did not include part-time students currently on-course. This notice corrects the previous error and introduces the changes from MT2019 for all students on course.

A further amendment is made to move the assessment schedule for all assessed essays later by one day from MT2019 for all students on course.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Economics for Development

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Changes to the examination of topics in international trade

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*. http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcieconfordeve/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.4 as follows:
- '(i) Macroeconomic Theory and International Trade
 - 2. Amend citation 1.11 as follows:
- '(i) Macroeconomic Theory and International Trade'
 - 3. Amend citation 1.12 as follows:

'Questions will be set on aspects of macroeconomic theory, including questions related to and the theory of international trade, central to the study of economic development. Full details of course content and structure will be provided in the M.Sc. Economics for Development Handbook published at the beginning of Michaelmas Full Term of the academic year in which the examination is taken.'

4. Amend citation 1.14 as follows:

'Questions will be set on aspects of microeconomic theory, including questions related to international trade, central to the study of economic development. Full details of course content and structure will be provided in the M.Sc. Economics for Development Handbook published at the beginning of Michaelmas Full Term of the academic year in which the examination is taken.'

Explanatory Notes

The core economic theory component of the MSc in Economics for Development consists of three main blocks: microeconomic theory, macroeconomic theory, and international trade theory. These blocks are taught through lectures and classes with the total allocation of teaching split in the ratio 40:40:20 between micro, macro, and trade respectively. The current arrangement for the examination of economic theory does not reflect the balance between blocks, and students can currently complete the examination for economic theory having avoided answering questions on trade theory, or having answered a disproportionate number of questions on trade theory.

It is therefore proposed to remove the optional trade theory questions from the Microeconomics Theory examination paper, and introduce a new compulsory section to the Macroeconomics Theory examination paper focussed on trade theory. The taught content of economic theory and overall weight of economic theory in the MSc course would remain the same. The change fully integrates trade into the examination of economic theory, and the relative weight of trade theory in the examination structure would match the weight given to the teaching of the topic.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action (04/07/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Financial Economics

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Minor factual corrections to text

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinfinaecon/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.3 as follows:
- '(b) five electives, of which one may be an individual project. Candidates must satisfy the examiners in the assignment/examination/written report associated with each course, the list of electives to be published annually by the MFE Standing Committee before the first Monday of Hilary Term. If chosen, individual project written reports to be of not more than 10,000 words and must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site-learning platform. Such projects must be approved by the MFE Standing Committee;'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.5 as follows:
- '2. Assignments and projects must be presented not later than the time and date stipulated for each exercise; these will be published by the MFE Standing Committee before the first Monday of each term in which the assignment or project must be undertaken. Assignments, projects and practical work should be submitted online, as set out in the assessment

section of the programme WebLearn site learning platform.'

- 3. Delete citation 1.6:
- 3. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination to candidates for the Degree.
 - 4. Amend citation 1.7 as follows:
- '43. 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, via his or her College Senior Tutor or Tutor for Graduates.'
 - 5. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:
- '<u>54</u>. 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.'

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of the Social Sciences Division Quality Assurance Committee on 4 July 2019 and by Chair's action on behalf of the Humanities Division Graduate Studies Committee on 16 July

Master of Science by Coursework in Japanese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the assessment for qualitative methods, and removal of the research proposal assessment. Removal of the award of a distinction.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcimodesoutasiastud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.9 as follows:
- "(i) Research Methods for Area Studies: <u>A take-home test on Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum practical exercise in the collection and analysis of qualitative data (word limit: 2500 words including footnotes but excluding bibliography) will be released on Monday of Week 8 of Michaelmas Term with the work to be submitted to the Examination Schools by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a take-home test in quantitative analysis to be set on Monday of Week 8 with the work to be and submitted to the Examination Schools by 12 noon on Monday of Week 10 of Hilary Term; and a 2,500 word maximum individual research proposal by 12 noon Monday of week 9 of Hilary Term."</u>
- 2. Delete citation 1.15 and renumber:

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

Explanatory Notes

- 1. Change to the assessment for qualitative methods in the Research Methods course
- 2. Removal of the requirement to submit a research proposal
- 3. Removal of the award of Distinction as covered by General Regulation

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of Quality Assurance Committee (29/04/2019) and on behalf of Education Committee (01/07/2019) [Changes 1&2]

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019) [Changes 3&4]

Master of Science by Coursework in Major Programme Management

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Amendment to permit the submission of the Research Methods assignment as part of the dissertation
- 2. Updates to the Schedule of Core Courses
- 3. Amendment to the timing of re-sits of summative assignments
- 4. Amendment to reduce the permitted minimum length of suspension of status at any one time from three months to one month.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcimajoprogmana/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2020-21

Detail of change

Amend text as follows (new text underlined, old text struck):

^{1.1}1. Candidates will follow for twenty-four months (part time), a programme of instruction in Major Programme Management—and will, when entering for the examination,

be required to produce a certificate to this effect from a supervisor of the M.Sc. in Major Programme Management appointed for the purpose.

1.22. The programme will consist of eight compulsory courses, as prescribed in the schedule, and a dissertation of 10,000 words. Candidates must satisfy the examiners in the assessment (assignment/practical work) associated with each component. Modes of assessment and submission dates will be published by the M.Sc. Director and distributed to all candidates in the first week of the Michaelmas Term of the year in which the assessment takes place. All pieces of assessment will be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site learning platform. The dissertation should demonstrate an ability to identify, formulate, implement and present a project in the area of Major Programme Management. The dissertation, not exceeding 10,000 words in length (including endnotes, appendices, tables, but excluding references), must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme Weblearn site, by noon on the first Monday of September in the calendar year in which the examination is taken. 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.

3. Dissertation

- (a) The title of the dissertation must be approved by the MMPM Programme Committee no later than eight weeks after the end of Module 8.
- (b) The dissertation should demonstrate an ability to identify, formulate, implement and present a project in the area of Major Programme Management. The dissertation, not exceeding 10,000 words in length, must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme learning platform, by noon on the first Monday of September at the end of the second year of the course. All material submitted for the dissertation shall be accompanied by a declaration of authorship statement indicating that it is the candidate's own work.
- (c) The Research Methods assignment may be submitted as part of the dissertation providing:
 - (i) it has not been submitted in whole or in part for another degree of the

 University of Oxford, or a degree of any other university, and the candidate submits a statement to that effect;
 - (ii) the dissertation itself is substantially new;
 - (iii) the candidate also submits both the original Research Methods assignment

itself and a statement specifying the extent of what is new.

1.334. Candidates who fail to satisfy the Examiners in the assessment of any one of the components may retake/resubmit the failed assessment only once, no more than six months after the release of results for the original piece of assessment twelve months after the final meeting of the Board of Examiners, excluding any period of suspension. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in the dissertation may resubmit it on one, but no more than one, occasion which shall normally be by Week 10 of the Hilary Term in the following year.

^{1.4}4<u>5</u>. The Examiners may choose to examine any candidate or group viva voce.

1.55. The Examiners may award a distinction for overall excellence in the examination.

1.66. If, for good cause, a student is temporarily unable to carry out their studies, the MSc Director(s) concerned may grant him or her a request for a temporary suspension of status, for not less than three one month and not more than twelve months at any one time. Applications for suspension of status should be made to the MSc 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 twenty-four months' suspension of status in this way by the MSc Director.

SCHEDULE OF CORE COURSES

- —¹⁻⁷(i) Designing and Managing Successful Programmes
- ^{1.8}(ii) Systems Engineering
- 4.9(iii) Financial Management
- -1.10(iv) Contract Management
- -^{1.11}(v) Major Programme Risk
- -1.12(vi) Research Methods
- -^{1.13}(vii) Managing Performance
- -1-14 (viii) Globalisation and Major Programmes

(i) Designing and Managing Successful Programmes

- (ii) Major Programme Risk
- (iii) Systems Engineering
- (iv) Governance & Stakeholder Management
- (v) Commercial Leadership
- (vi) Research Methods
- (vii) Managing Performance
- (viii) Globalisation and Major Programmes

Explanatory Notes

1. Amendment to permit the submission of the Research Methods assignment as part of the dissertation

The Research Methods module is designed to equip students with the tools and techniques needed to plan, research and write up their dissertation. Research Methods is assessed by an individual research proposal of no more than 3,000 words, which may provide the basis for the dissertation. In response to the close association between Research Methods and the dissertation, a change to the examination regulations is proposed to allow students to submit a developed version of their Research Methods assignment as part of the dissertation without running the risk of auto-plagiarism.

2. Updates to Schedule of Core Courses

A change of title of two out of eight core courses is proposed alongside minor changes to module content: *Financial Management* renamed as *Governance & Stakeholder Management*, and *Contract Management* renamed as *Commercial Leadership*. There have also been minor amendments to the order of the core courses.

3. Amendment to the timing of re-sits of summative assignments

This amendment brings the MSc in Major Programme Management regulations in line with the EMBA.

4. Amendment to reduce the permitted minimum length of suspension of status at any one time from three months to one month.

Students often only need to suspend for a single module; however, this is usually not possible under the current regulations, and the requirement for students to suspend status for a minimum of three months at any one time means that a further, second module is often also affected. A reduction to the permitted minimum length of suspension from three to one month at any one time would make the management of suspensions easier, and there would be less impact on students. Students will still be able to apply for longer suspensions at any one time up to the maximum of 12 months.

This change would not bring these regulations into conflict with the current General Regulations concerning the status of graduate taught students, 'suspension of status of Graduate Taught Students'.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Medical Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. An amendment to move submission dates that fall on Tuesday to the Thursday of the same week
- 2. Factual corrections to text and the removal of redundant information

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinmedianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.4 as follows:
- '4. The 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 Thursday 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. Amend citation 1.5 as follows:
- '5. Each candidate will be required to submit 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 Thursday of the fifth week of Trinity Term.'

3. Amend citation 1.6 as follows:

'6. 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 electronic file 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 title page of the dissertation.'

4. Amend citation 1.18 as follows:

'Candidates must select one option paper from those taught each year for the M.Sc. in Social Anthropology. Titles of options will be made available by the end of the third week of Michaelmas Term at the beginning of each academic year, and candidates may select their option from any of Lists A, B, or C, and candidates may select any option from the published list.'

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (25/06/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Migration Studies

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Amendment to the dissertation submission requirements
- 2. Factual corrections to text

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinmigrstud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT2019

For first examination from e.g. 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend 1.15 as follows:

'10.Each candidate shall be required to submit a dissertation of not more than 15,000 words (excluding abstract, references bibliography 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 second week of Hilary Term in the academic year in which his or her name was entered on the Register of M.Sc. Students.'

2. Amend citation 1.16 as follows:

'11.The dissertation (three two 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.'

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of the Social Sciences Division Quality Assurance Committee on 4 July 2019 and by Chair's action on behalf of the Humanities Division Graduate Studies Committee on 16 July

Master of Science by Coursework in Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the assessment for qualitative methods, removal of the "What is South Asia" and research proposal assessments, and change to the deadline for approval of the thesis title

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcimodesoutasiastud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Delete citation 1.5 and renumber:
- "4. All candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum 'What is South Asia?' essay by 12 noon on Monday of Week 5 of Michaelmas Term, and a 2,500 word maximum individual research proposal by 12 noon Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term."
- 2. Amend citation 1.6 as follows:
- "In addition, cCandidates will complete one of the following three courses in Research Methods:"
- 3. Amend citation 1.7 as follows:
- "(i) Research Methods for Area Studies: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum practical exercise in the collection and analysis of qualitative data take-home test in

<u>qualitative methods to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted</u> by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a take-home test in quantitative analysis to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term."

- 4. Amend citation 1.8 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 take-home test in qualitative methods to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a 2,500 word essay on Historical Methods to be set by Monday of Week 4 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term."
- 5. Amend citation 1.9 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 take-home test in qualitative methods to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a 2,500 word essay on Literature and Language to be set by Monday of Week 4 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term."
- 6. Amend citation 1.11 as follows:
- "6. Candidates will complete a 12,000 word thesis (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 Friday of Week 34 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."

Explanatory Notes

- 1. Change to the assessment for qualitative methods in the Research Methods course
- 2. Removal of the requirement to submit the "What is South Asia?" essay
- 3. Removal of the requirement to submit a research proposal
- 4. Move the deadline for approval of the thesis title from Week 3 to Week 1 of Hilary term.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action (04/07/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Refugee and Forced Migration Studies

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Minor amendments to the thesis submission requirements
- 2. Presentational changes to the *Individual Research Design Essay* section of the regulations

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbciraforcmigrstud/studentview/ as amended by the Gazette notice of 02 May 2019

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend the sections on the *Individual Research Design Essay* and *Multidisciplinary Thesis* as follows:

'Individual Research Design Essay

Each student must display an understanding of research methods relevant to forced migration. This will be in the form of an individual research design essay of approximately, but no more than 3,000 words. The essay will 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.

The essay must be presented in a proper scholarly form and delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, no later than Friday noon in Week Seven of Hilary Term.

Multidisciplinary Thesis

Each student will be required to write a thesis of not less than 10,000 and not more than 15,000 words on a topic relevant to forced migration. The purpose of this thesis is to ensure that the students have engaged in a multidisciplinary analysis of a single issue in forced migration to gain an awareness of the complex interrelations in the field.

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 two 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 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.'

Explanatory Notes

The 02 May 2019 edition of the *Gazette* introduced a number of changes to the *Research Methods* course, and opportunity was taken to make a number of logical structural changes to the regulations to move the *Research Methods* course sections above the sections on the *Multidisciplinary Thesis*.

This notice introduces further minor changes to both the *Research Methods* course and the *Multidisciplinary Thesis*.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of the Social Sciences Division Quality Assurance Committee on 4 July 2019

Master of Science by Coursework in Russian and East European Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the assessment details and associated re-sit arrangements for Research Methods. Add reference to merit in overall re-sit arrangements

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbciraeasteurostud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.4 as follows:

"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.

Research Methods for Area Studies: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum take-home test in qualitative methods to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a one week 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. Two printed copies of each of the items of written

work described above 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. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work.

Candidates will be required to submit a thesis of at least 12,000 words but not more than 15,000 words on a subject approved by the Management Committee for Russian and East European Studies, to be delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by 12 Noon on Monday in the sixth week of Trinity Term. The thesis must be accompanied by a statement that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated. An electronic copy should also be submitted via WebLearn by the same deadline.

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

Candidates who fail 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 merit or 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

- 1. Amendment to the assessment for Research Methods
- 2. Amendment to the re-sit arrangements for Research Methods
- 3. Clarification of possible degree outcomes following re-sits overall

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Social Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. An amendment to move submission dates that fall on Tuesday to the Thursday of the same week
- 2. Factual corrections to text and the removal of redundant information

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcinsocianth/administratorview/, as amended by the Gazette of 20 June 2019

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.6 as follows:
- '(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 Friday of the seventh_week of Michaelmas Term. The essay must be submitted electronically via WebLearn not later than noon of the Tuesday Thursday 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.'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.7 as follows:
- '(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 Thursday of the

fifth week of Trinity Term.'

- 3. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:
- '6. 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 electronic file 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 title page of the dissertation.'
 - 4. Amend citation 1.9 as follows:
- '7. 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 Thursday 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 citations 1.15,1.16,1.17, and 1.18 as follows:

'Paper 1 is examined 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 <u>list</u> of options offered. <u>lists below, within which the student has a free choice:</u>

List A. Anthropology of a Selected Region

List B. Topics in Visual, Material and Museum Anthropology

List C. Anthropology and Topical Issues'

Amend citation 1.19 as follows:

'Options offered in any of the three lists may vary from year to year. Lists <u>The list for the current academic year will be issued by the Director of Graduate Studies or his or her delegate by the end of the third week of Michaelmas term.'</u>

Explanatory Notes

A change to the MSc in Social Anthropology regulations was published in the *Gazette* of 20 June 2019. This change moved the essay title release date for Paper 1 from Monday of fourth week of Michaelmas term to Friday of seventh week of Michaelmas term.

This notice introduces a further change to move all submission deadlines that fall on a Tuesday to the Thursday of the same week. Minor presentational and factual corrections to text are also made.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Social Data Science

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Change of title and assessment method of Part 4: 'Python for Social Data Science'
- 2. Minor factual corrections to text

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcisocidatascie/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.7 as follows:

'Part 4: Compulsory core paper in 'Python for Social Data Science' assessed by two-hour written examination at the beginning of Hilary Term and written coursework 'Fundamentals of Social Data Science in Python' assessed by a project and a written report. Details of and arrangements for submission of the written coursework shall be notified to candidates via WebLearn by Monday week 1 of Michaelmas Term.'

2. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

'Part 5: Compulsory core paper in 'Data Analytics at Scale' assessed by a project and written coursework 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.'

3. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:

'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 <u>or another paper agreed by the Director of Graduate Studies</u>. 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.'

Explanation of Change

The revised title for Paper 4 ('Fundamentals of Social Data Science in Python') is a better description of the course purpose. A reduction of assessment load for Paper 4 from one written examination in python and one piece of coursework (consisting of a project and written report) to a single piece of coursework is proposed in response to concerns about the overassessment of students on the programme. Queries had also been raised about the value of the examination as an effective test of the programme's learning outcomes, as it followed an intensive 8 week course in python, and students receive further python knowledge through other papers taught in Michaelmas term.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action on behalf of QAC (23/05/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Social Science of the Internet (Full-time)

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Amendment to remove reference to award of Distinction as covered by *General Regulations*.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcissoftheinte/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Delete citation 1.12 as follows:

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

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action on behalf of QAC (23/05/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Social Science of the Internet (Part Time)

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Amendment to remove reference to award of Distinction as covered by *General Regulations*.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbcissoti-p-time/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2020-21

Detail of change

1. Delete citation 1.19 as follows:

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

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019)

Master of Science by Coursework in Visual, Material, and Museum Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. An amendment to move all submission dates that fall on Tuesday to the Thursday of the same week.
- 2. Minor factual corrections to text

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2018, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mosbciv-mandmuseanth/studentview/ as amended in the Gazette of 20 June 2019.

Effective date

For students starting from MT2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.6 as follows:
- '(i) one essay of no more than 5,000 words for Paper 1 on the syllabus described in the Schedule; for Paper 1 a list of essay titles will be announced no later than Friday of the seventh week of Michaelmas Term. The essay, together with any associated non-textual materials, must be submitted electronically via WebLearn not later than noon of the Tuesday Thursday of the first week of Hilary 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.'
 - 3. Amend citation 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 Thursday 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.'

4. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

'(iii) The research methods portfolio for Paper 3(b) must be delivered in hard copy not later than noon on the Tuesday Thursday of the fifth week of Trinity Term to the Chair of Examiners, M.Sc. in Visual, Material, and Museum Anthropology, c/o Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford. Non-print materials shall not constitute more than fifteen minutes of viewing/reading time in the case of video or multimedia submissions.'

5. Amend citation 1.9 as follows:

'(iv) 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 Thursday of the fifth week of Trinity Term. The dissertation, together with any associated non-print materials, must be submitted via WebLearn not later than noon of 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 electronic file format, with the exception of any non-print materials, which must be submitted electronically in an appropriate file format.'

6. 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 Museum 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 Thursday 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.'

7. Amend citation 1.17 as follows:

'Candidates must select one option paper from those taught each year for M.Sc. candidates at the Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology. Titles of options <u>available</u> will be made known at the beginning of each academic year and candidates may select their option from any of Lists A, B, or C by the end of the third week of Michaelmas Term and candidates may select any option from the published list.'

Explanatory Notes

A change to the MSc in Visual, Material, and Museum Anthropology regulations was published in the *Gazette* on 20 June 2019. This change moved the essay title release date for Paper 1 from Monday of fourth week of Michaelmas term to Friday of seventh week of Michaelmas term.

This notice proposes further changes to the move all submission deadlines that currently fall on a Tuesday to the Thursday of the same week. A small number of factual corrections are also made.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019)

Master of Philosophy in Comparative Social Policy

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Minor amendment to the submission date for option papers
- 2. Minor presentational changes, including to remove the reference to an award of distinction as included in *General Regulations*

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopicompsocipoli/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first (qualifying) examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Delete citation 1.9:

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

- 2. Amend citation 1.11 as follows:
- '(a) A course of practical work in (i) basic principles of statistical inference, and statistical models for the analysis of quantitative social science data, and (ii) the rationale and techniques of qualitative research appropriate to social policy and related social enquiry. Such practical course work in social research methods shall be assessed by a series of assignments set during the first two terms of the course. These shall be listed in the Course Handbook and submission dates set for each assignment. Each of the two quantitative assignments will be of a maximum length of 2,500 words. The qualitative assignment will

be of a maximum length of 3,000 words. These shall be marked during the course. Candidates shall submit via the WebLearn site their assignments, accompanied by a statement and confirm that it is the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated, by selecting the 'declaration of authorship' box. In the event of any candidate not reaching the pass mark set for either the qualitative or quantitative assignments, one further attempt shall be permitted within the same examination year, though in the event of a successful resubmission only the bare pass mark shall be awarded.'

3. Amend citation 1.12 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. The submission dates for the essays shall be listed in the Course Handbook. Candidates shall submit their essays via the WebLearn site, accompanied by a statement and confirm that they are the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated, by selecting the 'declaration of authorship' box. The electronic copies must be anonymous. In the event of any candidate not reaching the pass mark set for either the qualitative or quantitative essay, one further attempt shall be permitted within the same examination year, though in the event of a successful resubmission only the bare pass mark shall be awarded.'

4. Amend citation 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 option 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 Friday 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

The amendment to the option paper essay submission date from Monday to Friday of week 10 of Hilary term is proposed to give students slightly longer to work on their essays. The change would also allow the submission of proposed essay topics to be moved from week 5 to week 6. This would help allay concerns from students that they are required to make a decision early in the course about the focus of their assignments. The change to the submission date for the proposed essay topics will also help ease pressures currently felt by staff to turnaround feedback to students during a period busy with thesis panels and graduate admissions.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of the Social Sciences Division Quality Assurance Committee on 4 July 2019 and by Chair's action on behalf of the Humanities Division Graduate Studies Committee on 16 July

Master of Philosophy in Japanese Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the assessment for qualitative methods, and removal of the research proposal assessment. Removal of the award of a distinction.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopinjapastud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination (first year examinations) from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.13 as follows:
- "(i) Research Methods for Area Studies: <u>A take-home test on Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum practical exercise in the collection and analysis of qualitative data (word limit: 2500 words including footnotes but excluding bibliography) will be released on Monday of Week 8 of Michaelmas Term with the work to be submitted to the Examination Schools by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a take-home test in quantitative analysis to be set on Monday of Week 8 with the work to be and submitted to the Examination Schools by 12 noon on Monday of Week 10 of Hilary Term; and a 2,500 word maximum individual research proposal by 12 noon Monday of week 9 of Hilary Term."</u>
- 2. Delete citation 1.34:

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

Explanatory Notes

- 1. Change to the assessment for qualitative methods in the Research Methods course
- 2. Removal of the requirement to submit a research proposal
- 3. Removal of the award of Distinction as covered by General Regulation

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of the Social Sciences Division Quality Assurance Committee on 4 July 2019

Master of Philosophy in Latin American Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the assessment details and associated re-sit arrangements for Research Methods. Removal of the award of a distinction.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopilatiamerstud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination (qualifying examination) from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.5 as follows:

"(b) Undertake the Research Methods for Area Studies course: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum take-home test in qualitative methods to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a one week 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. Two printed copies of each of the items of written work described above must be submitted to the Examination Schools, addressed to the Chair of Examiners for the MPhil in Latin American Studies, c/o the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work. a series of assignments and/or unseen written examinations in Research Methods for Area Studies as specified by the teaching committee for the M.Phil in Latin American Studies. The forms of assessment, and the dates and times of submission, where applicable, will be notified to students by not later than Friday of Week 0 of Michaelmas Full Term.

Students must pass all these assessments but the marks will not count toward the final degree mark. "

- 2. Amend citation 1.12 as follows:
- "6. Candidates who fail 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. Candidates who fail any component of Research Methods for Area Studies will be required to retake it on a date stipulated by the Chair of Examiners, and pass it by the start of week 0 of Michaelmas Term of their second year of the course."
- 3. Delete citation 1.20:
- "11. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination."

Explanatory Notes

- 1. Amendment to the assessment for Research Methods
- 2. Amendment to the re-sit arrangements for Research Methods
- 3. Removal of the award of Distinction as covered by General Regulation

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019)

Master of Philosophy in Medical Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. An amendment to move submission dates that fall on Tuesday to the Thursday of the same week
- 2. Factual corrections to text and the removal of redundant information

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopinmedianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first (qualifying) examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 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 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 <u>Tuesday Thursday</u> 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. Amend citation 1.13 as follows:

'Candidates must select one option paper from those taught each year for the M.Sc in Social Anthropology. Titles of options will be made at the beginning of each academic year, and candidates may select their option from any of Lists A, B, or C. the list of those available, published by the end of the third week of Michaelmas Term.

Amend citation 1.22 as follows:

'Candidates are required to choose any two of the three courses listed above and shall submit to the Examination Schools by noon on Tuesday Thursday of fifth week of the third term of the second year of the course the portfolio of the two courses of practical work completed, together with a research proposal, accompanied by a statement that they are the candidate's own work except where otherwise indicated.'

4. Amend citation 1.25 as follows:

'Each candidate shall be required to submit a thesis of not more than 30,000 words (excluding references and appendices) on a subject approved by the supervisor. He or she shall send to the Teaching Committee of the School of Anthropology, with the written approval of his or her supervisor, and on the form provided for that purpose, a preliminary title of the thesis, together with a paragraph describing its scope, by noon on the Tuesday Thursday of the fifth week of the Trinity term of the first year of the course. A further form, identical in its provision, and confirming or amending the earlier submission as necessary, shall be submitted to the above Committee by noon on the Monday of second week of Michaelmas Term in the academic year following that in which his or her name was entered on the Register of M.Phil. Students. The thesis must be submitted via WebLearn not later than noon on Tuesday Thursday of the fifth week of Trinity Full Term of the second year of the M.Phil. The thesis must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in Word electronic file format. The thesis 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 title page of the thesis.'

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of the Social Sciences Division Quality Assurance Committee on 4 July 2019 and by Chair's action on behalf of the Humanities Division Graduate Studies Committee on 16 July

Master of Philosophy in Modern South Asian Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the assessment for qualitative methods, and removal of the "What is South Asia" and research proposal assessments

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopimodesoutasiastud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination (first year examinations) from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Delete citation 1.9:

"All candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum 'What is South Asia?' essay by 12 noon on Monday of Week 5 of Michaelmas Term, and a 2,500 word maximum individual research proposal by 12 noon Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term."

2. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:

"In addition, cCandidates will complete one of the following three courses in Research Methods:"

3. Amend citation 1.11 as follows:

"(i) Research Methods for Area Studies: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum practical exercise in the collection and analysis of qualitative data take-home test in qualitative methods to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on

Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a take-home test in quantitative analysis to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term."

- 4. Amend citation 1.12 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 take-home test in qualitative methods to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a 2,500 word essay on Historical Methods to be set by Monday of Week 4 of Hilary Term and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of Week 9 of Hilary Term."

Explanatory Notes

- 1. Change to the assessment for qualitative methods in the Research Methods course
- 2. Removal of the requirement to submit the "What is South Asia?" essay
- 3. Removal of the requirement to submit a research proposal

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of the Social Sciences Division Quality Assurance Committee on 4 July 2019

Master of Philosophy in Russian and East European Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Amendment to the assessment details and associated re-sit arrangements for Research Methods. Add reference to merit in overall re-sit arrangements

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopiraeasteurostud/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination (first year examinations) from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Delete citation 1.7:

"All candidates will also be required to have demonstrated competence in Methods and Language as specified in Methods Requirement and Language Requirement."

2. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

"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. Research Methods for Area Studies: Candidates will submit a 2,500 word maximum take-home test in qualitative methods to be set on Monday of Week 8 and submitted by 12 noon on Monday of week 9 of Michaelmas Term; and a one week 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. Two printed copies of each of the items of written work described above 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. Each submission must be accompanied by a declaration indicating it is the candidate's own work."

3. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:

"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 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. Candidates who fail one or more of the other 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 merit or distinction."

Explanatory Notes

- 1. Amendment to the assessment for Research Methods
- 2. Amendment to the re-sit arrangements for Research Methods
- 3. Clarification of possible degree outcomes following re-sits overall

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019)

Master of Philosophy in Social Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. An amendment to move submission dates that fall on Tuesday to the Thursday of the same week:
- 2. Minor factual corrections to text

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopinsocianth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first (qualifying) examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:
- '(ii) to submit via WebLearn not later than noon on Tuesday Thursday of the fifth week of Trinity Term an essay of not more than 5,000 words in the field of general Social Anthropology, on a topic to be selected from a list set by the examiners at the beginning of the third week of Trinity Term; the essay must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in Word electronic file format;'
 - 2. Amend citation 1.14 as follows:

'Each candidate shall be required to submit a thesis of not more than 30,000 words (excluding references and appendices) on a subject approved by the supervisor. He or she shall send to the Teaching Committee of the School of Anthropology, with the written

approval of his or her supervisor, and on a form provided for that purpose, a preliminary title of the thesis, together with a paragraph describing its scope, by noon on the Tuesday Thursday of the fifth week of the Trinity Term of the first year of the course. A further form, identical in its provisions, and confirming or amending the earlier submission as necessary, shall be submitted to the above Committee by noon on the Monday of the second week of the Michaelmas Term in the academic year following that in which his or her name was entered on the Register of M.Phil. Students. The thesis must be submitted via WebLearn not later than noon on Tuesday Thursday of the second week of the Trinity Full Term of the second year of the M.Phil. The thesis must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in Word electronic file format. The thesis 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 title page of the thesis.'

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019)

Master of Philosophy in Visual, Material, and Museum Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Amendment to move all submission dates that fall on Tuesday to Thursday of the same week
- 2. Minor factual corrections to text and the removal of redundant information

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopiv-mandmuseanth/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first (qualifying) examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

- 1. Amend citation 1.5 as follows:
- '(i) to present himself or herself themselves 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. Amend citation 1.6 as follows:
- '(ii) to submit via WebLearn not later than noon on Tuesday Thursday of the fifth week of Trinity Term an essay of 5,000 words (three copies) in the field of Visual, Material, and Museum Anthropology, on a topic to be selected from a list set by the examiners at the beginning of the third week of Trinity Term (candidates should not duplicate any material already used in their submission for paper 2 in the Qualifying Examination in the previous

year); the essay must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in Word electronic file format;'

3. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

'(iv) to present himself or herself themselves for oral examination if required by the examiners.'

- 4. Amend citation 1.10 as follows:
- '3. Each candidate shall be required to submit a thesis of not more than 30,000 words (excluding references and appendices) on a subject approved by the supervisor. The thesis may be based on the analysis of objects or photographs in the collections of the Pitt Rivers Museum, or a topic from one of the subject areas covered during the qualifying year, including option topics. The candidate shall send to the Teaching Committee of the School of Anthropology, with the written approval of his or her supervisor, and on the form provided for that purpose, the proposed preliminary title of the thesis, together with a paragraph describing its scope, by noon on the Tuesday Thursday of the fifth week of the Trinity term of the first year of the course. A further form, identical in its provisions, and confirming or amending the earlier submission as necessary, shall be submitted to the above Committee by noon on Monday of the second week of Michaelmas Term in the academic year following that in which his or her name was entered on the register of M.Phil. students. The thesis must be submitted via WebLearn not later than Tuesday Thursday of the second week of the Trinity Full Term of the second year of the M.Phil. The thesis must be anonymous, accompanied by confirmation that it is the candidate's own work, and submitted in Word electronic file format. The thesis 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 title page of the thesis.'

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Officer Action (04/07/2019)

Executive Master of Business Administration (Part-time)

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Introduction of a time limit for re-sits and re-submissions
- 2. Factual corrections to text

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/emofbusiadmi/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2020-21

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.25 as follows:

'Assignments and reports must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site learning platform, by the stipulated submission date.'

- 2. Amend citation 1.28 as follows:
- '4. A candidate who has failed to satisfy the examiners in the examination may enter again on one, but not more than one, subsequent occasion for that part of the examination which he or she they failed. Re-sits or re-submissions of assessed course components must take place no more than twelve months after the final meeting of the Board of Examiners, excluding any period of suspension.'

Explanatory Notes

The introduction of a time limit on re-sits and re-submissions is proposed in response to the inclusion of time limits on re-sitting taught course examinations in General Regulations with effect from entry in MT2019. This time limit had previously only been held in EMBA examination conventions.

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee (04/07/2019) and on behalf of Education Committee [Change 3] (15/07/2019)

Master of Business Administration (Full-time)

Brief note about nature of change:

- 1. Introduction of a time limit for re-sits and re-submissions
- 2. Factual corrections to text, including to delete reference to an award of distinction
- 3. Amendment to the final outcome rules

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mofbusiadmi/studentview/

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.25 as follows:

'Assignments and reports must be submitted online, as set out in the assessment section of the programme WebLearn site learning platform, by the stipulated submission date.'

- 2. Amend citation 1.28 as follows:
- '4. A candidate who has failed to satisfy the examiners in the examination may enter again on one, but not more than one, subsequent occasion for that part of the examination which he or she failed. Re-sits or re-submissions of assessed course components must take place no more than twelve months after the final meeting of the Board of Examiners.

excluding any period of suspension.'

- 3. Amend citation 1.37 as follows:
- '6. Students must satisfy the examiners in attempt all assessments associated with components (a)-(e) above, but may fail one of the eight courses from component (a) or one of the elective courses from component (b) (or two half-elective courses) and still pass the programme as a whole. Candidates may be required to attend an oral examination on any part.'
 - Delete citation 1.38:
- '7. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination to candidates for the Degree.'
 - 5. Update citation 1.39 as follows:
- '87. 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

The introduction of a time limit on re-sits and re-submissions is proposed in response to the inclusion of time limits on re-sitting taught course examinations in General Regulations with effect from entry in MT2019. This time limit had previously only been held in MBA examination conventions.

Students on the MBA currently take 21 credits, which includes 8 core courses which are each worth one credit. The MBA is awarded to candidates who pass 20 out of 21 possible credits; however, it is currently possible for students to pass the MBA having failed one of the core courses. A small number of cases occur each year, and, on the recommendation of the MBA Exam Board, it is proposed that students must pass all core course credits in order to complete the degree. Students will still be able to pass the degree having failed one elective credit (which may comprise of a single elective or two half electives).