

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

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Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair's action on behalf of Quality Assurance Committee on 13 July 2025

Title of Programme

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

Brief note about nature of change:

Change to the thesis submission deadline

Effective date

For students starting from Michaelmas term 2025

For first examination from 2026/27

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* [Master of Science by Coursework in Sociology \(Part-time\)](#)

Details of Change:

Amend citations as follows:

1.¹The Course shall be under the supervision of the Graduate Studies Committee of the Department of Sociology, which is under the supervision of the Social Sciences Divisional Board.

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

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

1.⁴*First year*

1.⁵A. A compulsory paper in *Methods of Social Research*, will be assessed by a written examination and three written coursework submissions.

1.⁶B. One option paper. Details of the option papers available including the method and timing of the assessment will be published annually in the Course Handbook.

^{1.7}Second Year

^{1.8}C. A compulsory paper in *Sociological Analysis*, will be assessed by a written examination and three written coursework submissions.

^{1.9}D. A second option paper. Details of the option papers available including the method and timing of the assessment will be published annually in the Course Handbook.

^{1.10}E. A thesis of not more than 10,000 words on a topic within the subject of the course to be specified jointly by supervisor and student. Candidates are warned that they should avoid repetition in their theses of material used in their option papers and that substantial repetition may be penalised. The thesis must be uploaded to the University approved online assessment platform, by noon of the weekday on or nearest to ~~1-September~~ 25 August of the second year.