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

Social Sciences Divisional Board

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Title of Programme
MPhil Latin American Studies

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

Location of change
In Examination Regulations 2017 http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mphilamerstud/studentview/

Effective date
For students starting from MT 2018
For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. Amend citation reference 1.4 as follows:

    ‘(a) Follow for three terms a course of instruction in the M.Sc in Latin American Studies with the exception of the extended essay dissertation. Candidates will present three qualifying examinations.’

2. Amend citation reference 1.15 as follows:

    ‘(b) Take another two additional examination papers from the list; or by agreement with the Latin American Centre Director of Graduate Studies and the relevant department, take one of these may be a methodology or other paper from an appropriate M.Phil. elsewhere in the University of Oxford.’

3. Amend citation reference 1.18 as follows:

    ‘9. Candidates who fail the one or both second year examination papers or who fail the thesis shall be deemed to have failed the examination. Such candidates will be
permitted to resubmit the thesis or retake the relevant examination paper(s) on one (but not more than one) subsequent occasion, in Trinity Term, one year after the initial attempt. Such candidates must pass the thesis or relevant examination paper(s) in order to pass the examination.’

4. Delete citation reference 1.19 as follows:

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

5. Amend citation reference 1.20 as follows:

‘101. The examiners may award a distinction for excellence in the whole examination.’

**Explanatory Notes**

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