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

Social Sciences Divisional Board

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Title of Programme
MSc Sociology (Part-Time)

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

Location of change
In Examination Regulations 2017

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

Detail of change
Insert new text as follows:

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

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

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

- First year
  - A. A compulsory paper in Methods of Social Research.
  - B. One option paper. This will be from a list published annually by Friday of the third week of Michaelmas Full Term in the Department of Sociology.

- Second Year
  - C. A compulsory paper in Sociological Analysis.
  - D. A second option paper. This will be from a list published annually by Friday of the third week of Michaelmas Full Term in the Department of Sociology.
E. A thesis of not more than 10,000 words on a topic within the subject of the course to be specified jointly by supervisor and student. Candidates are warned that they should avoid repetition in their theses of material used in their option papers and that substantial repetition may be penalised. Two typewritten copies of the thesis must be delivered to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford, by noon of the weekday on or nearest to 1 September of the second year. Successful candidates will be required to deposit a copy of their thesis in the Department of Sociology.

The examiners may examine any candidate viva voce.

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

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of part-time variant of the MSc in Sociology