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

Social Sciences Divisional Board

Approved by Chair’s Action on 23/06/17

Title of Programme

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

Brief note about nature of change: introduction of integrated thesis format

Location of change

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

Effective date

With immediate effect

Detail of change

1. After citation reference 1.38 insert as follows (new text underlined):

‘Additional regulations for the sub-faculty of Economics

Integrated thesis format

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

Introduction of the integrated thesis format.