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Council and Main Committees

Statute VIII: Libraries, Museums and Scientific Collections

Corrigendum

Since publication of the item of Congregation business relating to Statute VIII: Libraries, Museums and Scientific Collections, and the University Press (*Gazette*

No 5499, 2 July 2026, p617), it has been noticed that the title incorrectly referred to Statute VII.

General Purposes Committee of Council

The General Purposes Committee of Council has made the following changes to regulations, to come into effect on **9 October**, unless notice of a resolution calling upon

Council to annul or amend the regulation is received by the Registrar by **noon on 5 October**.

Changes to Regulations for the E. P. Abraham Professor of Chemical Pathology

Explanatory Note

The following changes have been made to take a power of accumulation (ie the power to convert income to capital) to this fund with a view to increasing the annual endowment income available to support the Sir William Dunn School of Pathology. The opportunity is taken to update the regulations through (i) the addition of standard trust provisions; (ii) the removal of the requirement for Council to take decisions about surpluses; and (iii) by writing numbers as numerals in line with Oxford style guidance.

Text of Regulations

In [Council Regulations 24 of 2002](#), concerning Academic and Other posts amend the regulations for the E. P. Abraham Professor of Chemical Pathology and its related endowment as follows: (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

‘1. The University has accepted with deep gratitude the sum of £430,000 from the Trustees of the E. P. Abraham Research Fund to be held as permanent for the endowment on the trusts declared in these regulations. Further money or property may be paid or transferred to the University as either expendable or permanent endowment to be held on the same trusts. The assets so held will be known as the E. P. Abraham Professor of Chemical Pathology Fund (“the Fund”).

2. The University shall retain as permanent endowment those of the assets in the Fund which are contributed on the express understanding that they are to be treated as permanent endowment (“the Permanent Endowment”).

3. The University shall (a) apply the income of the Permanent Endowment; and (b) apply the income and, in its discretion, the capital of the remainder of the Fund for the advancement of education for the benefit of the public by establishing and maintaining a post that shall be called the E. P. Abraham Professorship of

Chemical Pathology in the Sir William Dunn School of Pathology and for the provision of supporting costs for the professorship.

4.2. The E. P. Abraham Professor of Chemical Pathology shall undertake research in Chemical Pathology and shall lecture and give instruction in this subject.

5.3. The professor shall be elected by an electoral board consisting of:

(1) the Vice-Chancellor; ~~or if the head of the college specified in paragraph (2) below is the Vice-Chancellor, a person appointed by Council;~~

(2) the head of the college to which the professorship may be allocated by Council from time to time, or if the head is unable or unwilling to act, a person appointed by the governing body of that college;

(3) a person appointed by the governing body of the college;

(4), (5) ~~two~~2 persons appointed by Council;

(6)–(9) ~~four~~4 persons appointed by the Medical Sciences Board.

6. The administration of the Fund, and the application of its income, shall be the responsibility of the Medical Sciences Board.

7.4. Such part of the income of the endowment as ~~Council shall determine~~ is not required to meet the cost of the professorship shall be applied to the provision of supporting expenditure for the professor in such manner as the ~~Medical Sciences~~ Board shall direct, provided that the professor, subject to the approval of the Head of the Sir William Dunn School of Pathology, may personally authorise expenditure in any single

academic year up to a limit to be determined from time to time by the ~~Medical Sciences Board with the approval of Council.~~

8. The University may in its absolute discretion in the period ending 21 years from the date of this regulation, instead of applying the income of the Fund in any year, accumulate all or any part of such income by investing it, and holding it as part of the capital of the Fund. The University may apply the whole or any part of such accumulated income in any subsequent year as if it were income of the Fund arising in the then current year.

9. The University shall have power to pay out of the income of the Fund all costs of and incidental to the creation of the Fund and the management and administration of the Fund and the post.

10. The University may exercise any of its corporate powers in the management and administration of the Fund in so far as those powers are not inconsistent with these regulations.

11. Regulations 1–4 and 6–13 shall be deemed to be Trust Regulations under the provisions of Part D of Statute XVI.

12. Subject to regulation 13, Council may, subject to the concurrent of the Trustees of the E. P. Abraham Research Fund, amend, repeal or add to these regulations in accordance with Part D of Statute XVI, but no amendment is valid if it would cause the Fund to:

(1) cease to be exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales; or

(2) be outside the objects of the University.

13. Any amendment to the main object of the Fund, as set out in Regulation 3, must be approved both by the Congregation of the University and subsequently by His Majesty in Council.

~~5. Council shall have power, subject to the concurrence of the Trustees of the E. P. Abraham Research Fund, to amend this regulation, provided always that the maintenance of the E. P. Abraham Professorship of Chemical Pathology shall remain the first charge on the income of the endowment.'~~

Council of the University

Register of Congregation

The Vice-Chancellor reports that the following names have been added to the Register of Congregation:

James Altunkaya, Nuffield Department of Population Health

Elly Cope, Bodleian Libraries

Isidro Cortes-Ciriano, Kellogg

Ilias Chronopoulos, Faculty of Statistics

Kathleen Dolan, Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Divisional Office

Kate Dzepava, Finance Division – Purchasing

Tim Gamble-Turner, IT Services

Nathan Goehring, University College

Assaf Hamdani, Jesus

Rachael Harris, Department of Physics

Amy Hinks, Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Divisional Office

Clarice Hoole, Saïd Business School

Fatih Kansoy, Faculty of Economics

Idris Kempf, Faculty of Engineering Science

Huiqi Yvonne Lu, Faculty of Engineering Science

Eva Micheler, Merton

Oluchukwu Onyimadu, Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences

Sarah Parish, Nuffield Department of Population Health

Thomas Pasquier, Department of Computer Science

Jessica Pilgrim-Brown, Education

Nicole Robb, St Catherine's

Peter Scarborough, Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences

Davide Simonato, Faculty of Clinical Medicine

Caroline Wallard, St John's

Elisha Ward, Department of Physics

Kelly Weaver, Department of International Development

Lewis Williams, Merton

Alison Woolley, Development & Alumni Engagement

Divisional and Faculty Boards

For changes to regulations for examinations see '[Changes to Examination Regulations](#)' below.

Congregation

Congregation 28 September

Degree by Resolution

This content has been removed as it contains personal information protected under data protection legislation.

[Members of the University with a SSO account can log in to read the redacted content.](#)

Congregation 6 October

Oration by the Vice-Chancellor

The Vice-Chancellor will address the House. The Oration will be given at **noon on 6 October** in the Sheldonian Theatre. [Congregation members wishing to attend must register by noon, 2 October.](#)

Congregation 13 October

The following legislative proposals at (1)–(3) and the resolutions at (4)–(6) will be deemed to be approved at **noon on 13 October** unless by that time the Registrar

has received notice in writing from 2 or more members of Congregation that they wish the resolution to be put to a meeting of Congregation.

(1) Voting on Legislative Proposal: Statute VIII: Libraries, Museums and Scientific Collections, and the University Press

Explanatory Note

With the increased importance of assessment and associated services in the University Press's broader publishing strategy, it is desirable to make explicit reference to assessment and associated services (eg teacher training and educational data analytics).

WHEREAS it is expedient to clarify the function of the University Press, THE UNIVERSITY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS.

Text of Regulations

In [Statute VIII \(Libraries, Museums and Scientific Collections, and the University Press\)](#), amend §15 (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

‘15. The function of the Press is to further the University’s objects ~~by~~ through publishing, assessment, and the provision of associated services, in any medium anywhere in the world.’

(2) Voting on Legislative Proposal: Statute X: Degrees, Diplomas, and Certificates

Explanatory Note

The degree of Master of Public Health (MPH) is being added to the list of degrees awarded by the University, due to the establishment of a new degree, MPH in Public Health Research, in the Nuffield Department of Population Health.

WHEREAS it is expedient to add Master of Public Health to the University’s list of degrees it awards, THE UNIVERSITY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS.

Text of Regulations

In [Statute X: Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates](#)

concerning degrees, diplomas and certificates, amend as follows (new text underlined):

‘1. The following degrees shall be conferred by the University:

Doctor of Divinity
 Doctor of Civil Law
 Doctor of Medicine
 Doctor of Letters
 Doctor of Science
 Doctor of Music

Doctor of Philosophy
 Doctor of Clinical Psychology
 Doctor of Engineering
 Master of Arts
 Master of Surgery
 Master of Science
 Master of Letters
 Master of Philosophy
 Master of Studies
 Magister Juris
 Master of Theology
 Master of Business Administration
 Master of Fine Art
[Master of Public Health](#)
 ...’

(3) Voting on a Legislative Proposal: Statute XI: University Discipline*Explanatory Note*

The following changes have been made to correct the appropriate route of appeal for students subject to disciplinary proceedings and to remove a section about fitness to study to align with the recent amendments to Statute XIII and the introduction of the new Support and Fitness to Study procedure. The opportunity is also being taken to change instances of ‘his or her’ to ‘their’ etc’. Numbers are also being written as numerals rather than words, in line with Oxford style guidance.

WHEREAS it is expedient to align the statute with disciplinary procedures and the Support and Fitness to Study procedure, THE UNIVERSITY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS.

In [Statute XI](#), concerning University Discipline, amend the Statute as follows:

‘Part A: Definitions and Code of Discipline

...

REGULATIONS

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8. (1) Council shall establish and maintain a Rules Committee for the purpose of making regulations not inconsistent with the statutes governing the conduct of student members except in relation to the regulations relating to the academic dress of student members or conduct in examinations.
- (2) The Rules Committee shall keep all regulations made by it under review and may amend or repeal those regulations as it thinks fit.
- (3) The constitution and further powers and duties of the Rules Committee shall be set out by Council by regulation.

(4) The Proctors may, if they consider the matter urgent, make regulations relating to the conduct of student members which are not inconsistent with the statutes and regulations.

(5) Any regulations made by the Proctors under this section shall be published forthwith in the *University Gazette* and shall have immediate effect on publication, save where it is necessary or appropriate for regulations to be introduced at shorter notice, in which case such regulations may be published on the University’s website and will have immediate effect on such publication.

(6) Any exercise of this power shall be reported at once to the Rules Committee, and the regulations shall lapse unless the Rules Committee confirms them by a regulation, in the same or substantially the same terms, made and published in the *University Gazette* within ~~3~~^{two} weeks of Full Term from the day the regulations were made by the Proctors.

Part B: Disciplinary panels and Appeal Court of the University and the Proctors**DISCIPLINARY PANELS AND APPEAL COURT OF THE UNIVERSITY**

9. There shall be ~~2~~^{two} Panels and ~~1~~^{one} Court as follows:

- (1) The Student Disciplinary Panel;
- (2) the Student Appeal Panel;
- (3) the Appeal Court.

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16. (1) The Appeal Court shall consist of ~~5~~^{five} individuals appointed by the High Steward who are not members of the University and each of whom is:

(a) a Lord or Lady of Appeal, a Lord or Lady Justice of Appeal, or a Justice of the High Court of Justice; or

(b) an individual who has held such an appointment and is retired; or

(c) a King's Counsel of not less than ~~6~~six years' standing.

(2) The individual appointed shall serve for ~~3~~three years and may be reappointed.

(3) A sitting of the Appeal Court shall be sufficiently constituted by ~~1~~one of its members sitting alone.

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18. (1) The Appeal Court may, if it thinks it is in the interests of justice and fairness to do so, sit with no more than ~~2~~two assessors who are members of Congregation appointed by the High Steward and who have knowledge and experience of the practice and procedures of the University relevant to the issues raised in the appeal.

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THE PROCTORS

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21. If a Proctor or any member of the university staff who is authorised by the Proctor for the purposes of this section has reasonable grounds for believing that a student member has committed a breach of the Regulations of the Rules Committee relating to behaviour after examinations they may impose a fine on that student member (called "an immediate fine") on becoming aware of the breach in question. The Student Disciplinary Procedures shall set out the procedure to be followed in the imposition of immediate fines, the amount of the fine, and a student member's right of appeal from an immediate fine to the Student ~~Appeal~~Disciplinary Panel.

...

25. (1) The Proctors shall have the power to impose "precautionary measures" on any student member or members where there are reasonable grounds for the imposition of such measures, in accordance with the Student Disciplinary Procedures. Any precautionary measure which relates to college premises or facilities shall be subject to endorsement by the relevant college.

(2) A period of suspension imposed by a college upon one of its members as a precautionary measure or as a penalty shall apply also to university premises and facilities subject to endorsement by a Proctor, at which

point it shall be treated as a precautionary measure imposed under section 25 (1).

(3) The senior responsible owner and/or head of department in charge of any land or building of the University, or of any facilities or services provided by or on behalf of the University, if they have reasonable grounds to believe that a student member who has the use of or access to the land, building, facilities, or services in question has caused or is likely or threatens to cause damage to property or harm to other users, may as a precautionary measure pending action under the Student Disciplinary Procedures, ban that student member from the land, building, facilities, or services in question for up to ~~21~~twenty-one days.

26. A student member shall have the power to appeal to the Student ~~Appeal~~Disciplinary Panel in respect of any precautionary measure imposed pursuant to section 25.

~~27. (1) If the Student Disciplinary Panel, the Student Appeal Panel, or a Proctor in the course of proceedings or an investigation under this statute has or have reasonable grounds for believing that a student member is suffering from a serious problem arising from ill health which impedes or is likely to impede their ability to have their conduct fairly considered under the relevant disciplinary procedure the Panel concerned or the Proctor shall refer the student to the University's Fitness to Study Panel in accordance with the procedures set out in Part B of Statute XIII.~~

~~(2) Until a determination of the case under Part B of Statute XIII all further proceedings under this Part of this statute shall be adjourned.~~

Part C: Other provisions relating to non-student members

~~27~~28. (1) If a person or body having charge of any land or building of the University (where applicable this will be the relevant senior responsible owner or head of department), or of any facilities or services provided by or on behalf of the University has reasonable grounds to believe that a member of University staff, or a member of Congregation (but not a person who is only a student member) who has the use of or access to the land, building, facilities, or services in question has caused or is likely or threatens to cause damage to property or harm to other users, that person or body may immediately make a complaint under the provisions of this section.

(2) Where the conduct of the individual concerned gives rise to a need for immediate action, the person or body referred to in sub-section (1) above may ban the member of University staff or member of Congregation concerned from the use of or access to the land, building, facilities or services in question

forthwith pending further proceedings under this section, such a ban not to exceed ~~21~~**twenty-one** days.

(3) A complaint against a member of University staff or a member of Congregation shall be made to the Registrar who shall consider the complaint expeditiously:

(a) in the case of a member of University staff the Registrar will refer this matter for further consideration in accordance with the relevant disciplinary procedure;

(b) in the case of other members of Congregation the Registrar shall refer the matter to the Vice-Chancellor for determination;

(c) the Vice-Chancellor shall consider any matter referred to them by the Registrar under sub-section (3) (b) and may appoint another suitably qualified person or persons to act in their place; and

(d) the procedure to be adopted under sub-section (3) (b) shall be determined by the person or persons considering the matter, giving due regard to the principles of natural justice.

(4) If the person referred to in sub-section (1) above is the Registrar, the functions assigned to the Registrar under sub-section (3) shall be performed by the Vice-Chancellor.

~~28~~**29**. (1) If a member of University staff believes that an individual who is not a member of University staff or a member of Congregation or a student member who has the use of or access to any land or building of the University, or of any facilities or services provided by or on behalf of the University has caused or is likely or threatens to cause damage to property or inconvenience or distress to other users, that member of University staff may make a complaint under the provisions of this section.

(2) Where the decision-maker (as defined in sub-section (4) below) considers that the conduct of the individual concerned means that there is a significant and imminent risk of damage to property or distress or inconvenience to other users they may ban the individual concerned from the use of or access to the land, building, facilities or services for up to 42 days pending proceedings under this section.

(3) The use of or access to University land, buildings, facilities or services by an individual who is not a member of University staff, or a member of Congregation or a student member is granted as a privilege.

(4) The complaint shall be made to a decision maker who shall be:

(a) the relevant Head of Department, or equivalent; or

(b) the Registrar where (a) does not apply.

(5) The decision-maker shall consider the complaint expeditiously and may appoint another suitably qualified person to act in ~~their~~**his or her** place.

(6) The decision-maker shall determine the procedure to be adopted and shall have the power to impose penalties including, but not limited to, a temporary or permanent ban from the use of or access to the land, building, facilities or services in question.

(7) If the member of University staff making the complaint is the decision-maker, the functions assigned to the decision-maker under sub-sections (2), (4), (5) and (6) shall be performed by the Vice-Chancellor.

Part D: Proctors' Annual Report

~~29~~**30**. The Proctors shall at the end of Hilary Term in each year make a report to Congregation giving the number and kinds of offences dealt with during the year by them and the Panels, and giving the number and kinds of penalty imposed.

Part E: Transitional Provisions

~~30~~**31**. For the avoidance of doubt it is declared that:

(1) Disciplinary action may only be brought in relation to an alleged breach or breaches of the version of the Code of Conduct in this statute (or other Statutes, Regulations, rules, procedures or policies made under them) in force at the time of the alleged breach;

(2) in other respects, the version of this statute and of the Student Disciplinary Procedures (or any previous procedures) which will apply in determining the procedures to be followed and the powers of the Proctors, Student Disciplinary Panel and Student Appeal Panel, will be those in force at the time when the formal report of the conduct was made to the Proctors.'

(4) Voting on a Resolution authorising the allocation of space in Radcliffe Observatory Quarter New Radcliffe House to Uehiro Oxford Institute

Explanatory Note

As required by section 4 of [Statute XVI](#), approval of this resolution is requested because of the size of the proposed space allocation.

The Uehiro Oxford Institute has reached operational capacity in its current accommodation within Littlegate House on St Ebbe's Street. Accommodation is dispersed across 2 floors and is at some distance from cognate activity within the Humanities Division on the Radcliffe Observatory Quarter (ROQ). Following the Department of Experimental Psychology's relocation to the Life and Mind Building, approximately 1,022 sqm net usable area on the first floor of ROQ New Radcliffe House is available and has been identified as the preferred

option for the institute's relocation and expansion. Fit-out and reconfiguration of the floor will be funded by a philanthropic pledge made in support of this allocation. Allocation is sought on a non-time-limited basis to reflect the institute's establishment as a lasting institutional base in Oxford for research, education and public engagement in practical ethics, and to support the substantial reconfiguration of the floor funded by the philanthropic pledge in support of the relocation.

Text of Resolution

That approximately 1,022 sqm net usable area within ROQ New Radcliffe House (building 553) be allocated to the Uehiro Oxford Institute, from 1 August 2026, on a non-time limited basis.

(5) Voting on a Resolution authorising the allocation of space in Osney Holywell House to the Department of Engineering Science

Explanatory Note

As required by section 4 of [Statute XVI](#), approval of this resolution is requested because of the size of the proposed space allocation.

The Department of Engineering Science currently occupies Osney Holywell House under a 5-year allocation expiring on 4 July 2026. The original allocation supported the establishment of a Mini TESA (The Energy Systems Accelerator) within the building. The activity has subsequently developed to encompass the operational base of the multi-disciplinary ZERO Institute (Zero-carbon Energy Research Oxford), the delivery of the MSc in Energy Systems, and a wider Oxfordshire Clean Tech ecosystem. Continued occupation supports the department's longer-term consolidation within

the planned Engineering Campus at Osney Mead, the commencement of construction of which is identified in the University's 2025–2030 Strategic Plan as 1 of 3 priorities for the estate. Allocation renewal is sought on a non-time-limited basis to reflect the multi-phase delivery of the Engineering Campus, which may extend significantly beyond the initial first-phase availability date, and the absence of any comparable space within the University estate to accommodate the activities now delivered from the building.

Text of Resolution

That approximately 819 sqm net usable area within Osney Holywell House (building 963) be allocated to the Department of Engineering Science, on a non-time-limited basis from 5 July 2026.

(6) Voting on a Resolution authorising the allocation of space in 32–42 Wellington Square to St Cross College

Explanatory Note

Barnett House (32–42 Wellington Square) forms Phase 2 of the Wellington Square redevelopment and is currently occupied by a number of University departments which are expected to relocate by Trinity term 2028. The building is proposed for allocation to St Cross College, which has secured philanthropic funding to refurbish the building as graduate accommodation, providing 99 student bedrooms. The allocation is subject to vacant possession; the college demonstrating that it has secured the necessary funding; completion of the building contract; and the heads of terms agreement. Allocation is sought on a non-time limited basis to reflect the long-term investment in the building; and to support the college's strategic ambition to increase accommodation for its graduate students, while

contributing to the University's Strategic Plan by expanding graduate accommodation provision.

Text of Resolution

That approximately 2,122 sqm net usable area within 32–42 Wellington Square (building 264) be allocated to St Cross College, on a non-time limited basis, subject to:

1. the University being able to give vacant possession of the property following the relocation of the occupying departments, anticipated by Trinity term 2028;
2. St Cross College demonstrating that it has the necessary funding to undertake the refurbishment works;

3. completion of a building contract for the works, following the necessary University governance approvals; and

4. completion of a Heads of Terms Agreement on terms approved by the (Interim) Director of Estates and the Chair of the Planning and Resource Allocation Committee.

Meeting arrangements

Members of Congregation are reminded that any 2 members may, not later than **noon, Monday 5 October** give notice in writing to the Registrar that they wish to oppose the legislative proposals at (1)–(3) or the resolutions at (4)–(6) above (see note on the conduct of

business in Congregation below). If no such notice has been given, and unless Council has declared otherwise or the meeting has been adjourned, the business shall be declared carried, and the meeting may be cancelled.

Note on procedures in Congregation

Business in Congregation is conducted in accordance with Congregation Regulations 2 of 2002.

A printout of these regulations, or of any statute or other regulations, is available from the Council Secretariat on

request. A member of Congregation seeking advice on questions relating to its procedures, other than elections, should [contact Louise Hasler, Council Secretariat, University Offices, Wellington Square](#); questions relating to elections should be [directed to the Elections Office](#).

Notices

Consultative Notices

REF 2029: Code of Practice approval and communications on volume measure

The University's Code of Practice for REF 2029 was approved by Research England on 13 August. Full details of the processes for determination of which appointments contribute to REF 2029 volume for the reporting year 2025/26 are now available, including procedures for determining qualifying fellowships. Eligible departmental staff are now able to check their

own outcomes using [HR Self-Service](#). Feedback must be requested by **5 October** to initiate an appeal. Volume outcomes for college-only staff will be available in November. For more information, including instructions on how staff can check the status of their appointments and request feedback, please see the [Communications and Appeals](#) page on OxIntranet.

St John's

REVISED STATUTES

The Committee on Statutes before the Privy Council, acting under authority delegated to it by Council, is minded to give consent on behalf of the University to the revised statutes of St John's College, approved by the Governing Body on 12 November 2025, in so far as such consent is required by section 7 (2) of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1923. The consent of the committee to the amendments to the statutes will be effective 11 days after publication unless written notice of a resolution, signed by at least 20 members of Congregation, calling upon Council to withhold that consent, has been given to the Registrar by **noon on 5 October**.

The proposed changes follow a review by the college of governance efficiency and are also part of a wider ongoing governance review. The revisions include modernising provisions relating to the Fellows and the President of the college, the college officers, and the academic staff; providing for the election of the Visitor; providing clarity on the remit of, and delegation to, committees; wider reforms to powers of investment and management; provision for day-to-day administration of the college, eg providing for proxy voting in certain circumstances.

General Notices

Annual Report of the Clubs Committee 2025–26

MEMBERSHIP AND MEETINGS

1. With powers delegated to them from the Proctors, the role of the Clubs Office is to oversee all aspects of registration procedures of non-sport clubs to ensure that criteria set out by the University is met by these clubs in order for them to access a range of benefits which can include financial assistance, access to additional resources, and the use of the University name and its coat of arms. We are convinced that student clubs contribute hugely to the University's sporting, social, cultural, and charitable activities and are pleased to be able to help to promote and support these.

2. The Committee was chaired, as in previous years, by the Assessor (Professor Raphael Hauser until 18 March 2026 and Professor Jeff Tseng thenceforth) with a membership of both staff and student representatives. The committee met 3 times during the year.

3. During the year the committee did not have a full complement of members. In Trinity term 2026 the committee welcomed 2 new members: a student representative (Secretary of a registered club) and a representative from Conference of Colleges (a Senior Treasurer of Amalgamated Clubs). The committee greatly values the involvement of student members.

FACTS AND FIGURES

4. During the 2025/26 academic year the Clubs Office registered/re-registered on behalf of the Proctors 119 non-sports clubs (as at 4 June 2026). A total of 10 new clubs were added to the register during the year. In addition, the committee received 24 applications for financial support to non-sport clubs, of which 23 were supported, including 11 new clubs. The remaining applications were special purpose awards varying from £200 to £2000. The total amount disbursed was £12,532.

STAFFING CHALLENGES

5. The Clubs Office has been unstaffed for the past 18 months since the retirement of the former Clubs

Officer. Other colleagues in the Proctors' Office have had to absorb the clubs support work alongside very complex and time-sensitive student casework. This arrangement has led to delays in processing (re) registrations and offered a poor service to students. As of February 2026 we have secured a temporary member of staff who has worked hard to re-register the remaining clubs for this academic year. The Clubs Office will focus on new registrations over the summer vacation and supporting clubs to recruit members at Freshers' Fair.

PROCEDURAL CHANGES – GRANTS FOR NON-SPORTS CLUBS ACTIVITIES

6. In Hilary term the committee discussed changes to the maximum grants which could be awarded to clubs in any academic year, and in Trinity term approved changes to the Grant Application form. The committee also discussed the insurance challenges for clubs which engaged in physical activities but were not classed as 'sports'.

KEY PRIORITIES FOR 2026/27

7. Several aspects of the (re)registration process are already automated, and we could offer a speedier service to students if more of the routine checking could be automated. The Grant Application process could also be improved to avoid the circulation of word documents, and asking for information from clubs on multiple occasions.

8. The committee also wishes to explore whether Michaelmas term is the best time of year to re-register clubs.

9. The Clubs Office website was migrated to a new platform during Hilary term 2026. This process created several broken links. We will ensure that all of these are fixed, including any links to documents.

10. We intend to advertise for a permanent Clubs Officer in the next few weeks.

Examinations and Boards

Changes to Examination Regulations

The [complete text of each regulation listed below](#), and a [listing of all changes to regulations for this year to date](#), is available online.

Planning and Resource Allocation Committee

REGULATIONS ON FINANCIAL MATTERS (PART 7: FEES)

to remove references to fees payable for old DM course model

Education Committee

RESEARCH DEGREES (PART 5: REGISTER OF GRADUATE STUDENTS)

to require applications for suspension of status from research degrees students to be submitted within 2 terms of the beginning of the suspension period

Humanities Board

CLASSICS, HONOUR MODS

terminology change for 1 assessment

CLASSICS AND ENGLISH, PRELIMS

CLASSICS AND MODERN LANGUAGES, PRELIMS

introduction of possibility of awarding a Distinction

CLASSICS AND MODERN LANGUAGES, FHS

major changes following course restructure

DIGITAL SCHOLARSHIP, MSC

correction to previously published notice

FINE ART, MFA

minor change in terminology for assessment element

GREEK AND/OR ROMAN HISTORY, MPHIL

GREEK AND/OR ROMAN HISTORY, MST

correction of ungrammatical wording

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Board

MATHEMATICAL, PHYSICAL AND LIFE SCIENCES DIVISION, RESEARCH DEGREES

update references to reflect revised wording

Medical Sciences Board

CLINICAL EMBRYOLOGY, MSC

- (a) changes to assessment
- (b) removal of progression point
- (c) introduction of PGDip exit award
- (d) amendments for clarity

GLOBAL WOMEN'S HEALTH, MSC

REPRODUCTIVE GENETICS, MSC

new course

HEALTH SERVICE IMPROVEMENT AND EVALUATION, MSC

- (a) minor changes to module names
- (b) changes to dissertation assignment requirement and timeline
- (c) changes to wording for submission of assignments

INTEGRATED IMMUNOLOGY (FULL TIME), MSC

- (a) consolidation/clarification
- (b) removal of progression point
- (c) renaming 3 constituent parts of course from 'Terms' to 'Units'
- (d) adding PGDip as exit award

DPHIL, GENERAL REGULATIONS (PART 7: EXAMINATION) MSC BY RESEARCH, GENERAL REGULATIONS (PART 6: EXAMINATION)

MLITT, GENERAL REGULATIONS (PART 6: EXAMINATION)

to permit posthumous recognition of achievement

HISTORY, MPHIL

HISTORY (FULL TIME), MST

HISTORY (PART TIME), MST

major changes to assessment structure

LITERAE HUMANIORES, FHS

correction to previously published notice

MODERN LANGUAGES, FHS

correction to notice

PHILOSOPHY (2021/2022), MST

PHILOSOPHY (2023), MST

withdrawal of regulations

PHILOSOPHY, BPHIL

MSt in Philosophy to be exit award only

MATHEMATICAL, PHYSICAL AND LIFE SCIENCES DIVISION, DOCTORAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES

- (a) adding new doctoral training programmes
- (b) adding new DPhil in Zero-Carbon Energy Research

INTEGRATED IMMUNOLOGY (PART TIME), MSC

- (a) consolidation/clarification
- (b) removal of progression point

MEDICINE, FIRST BM (PARTS I AND II)

minor change to clarify and address inconsistency

MODELLING FOR GLOBAL HEALTH, MSC

minor typographical amendments

PAIN NEUROSCIENCES, MSC

new course

PRECISION CANCER MEDICINE, MSC

- (a) change Year 1 assessment from essay-based to poster presentation
- (b) amendments for clarity



MSC, GENERAL REGULATIONS (I)

ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE AND POLICY, MSC

MSC. GENERAL REGULATIONS (II)

LEARNING AND TEACHING (YEAR 1). MSC

APPLIED FINANCIAL ECONOMICS, MSC

LEARNING AND TEACHING (YEAR 2). MSC

APPLIED LINGUISTICS AND SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION, MSC

MEDICAL EDUCATION (PART TIME), MSC

addition of oral presentation at second residential

APPLIED LINGUISTICS FOR LANGUAGE TEACHING (PART TIME), MSC

SOCIAL DATA SCIENCE, MSC

changes to assessments

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SCIENCE, MSC

increase to museum label assessment length

SOCIAL SCIENCE OF THE INTERNET (PART TIME), MSC

removal of formative assessment information

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR BUSINESS (PART TIME), PGDIP

correction to previously published notice

SOCIOLOGY (PART TIME), MSC

changes to sociological analysis core paper assessment

EDUCATION, MSC

changes to assessment

TEACHER EDUCATION (PART TIME), MSC

Unit 3 assignment changed to poster presentation

EDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENT (PART TIME), MSc

introduction of synoptic viva (remote) at end of programme

ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE AND MANAGEMENT, MSC

closure of course

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