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TO  
The SECRETARY to the GOVERNMENT of MADRAS,  
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MADRAS, INDIA.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith, for the  
information of the Government of Madras  
a copy of a letter (with enclosures) to the Secretary  
to the Government of India, Education Department,  
relative to the new regulations of the University  
of Oxford for the Research Degrees of B. Litt., B.Sc.,  
and D. Phil.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

*Thomas Quayle*  
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TO The SECRETARY to the GOVERNMENT of INDIA,  
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Sir,

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I am directed to enclose herewith 12 copies of the new Regulations of the University of Oxford for the Research Degrees of B. Litt. B.Sc., and D. Phil. together with an explanatory note by the Secretary to the Delegacy for Oriental Students at Oxford. A copy of this letter is being sent to the Local Governments and the Provincial Advisory Committees are being informed and I am to request that the Government of India will be so good as to give such additional publicity to these new Regulations as they may deem necessary.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(SGD) THOMAS QUAYLE.

JOINT SECRETARY.



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NEW REGULATIONS FOR D. PHIL. B. LITT. AND B.SC. OXFORD.

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NOTES BY THE SECRETARY TO THE ORIENTAL  
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D.Phil. The minimum course of study for this degree has been reduced to two years, but admission to the status of advanced student will, in future, be more difficult, as it will usually be restricted to those who have already obtained the degree of B. Litt or B.Sc. Graduates of other Universities (including Indian Universities) may be admitted, but only if they produce evidence of special fitness in a manner satisfactory both to the Committee for advanced studies and to the Board of the appropriate Faculty.

B. Litt. and B.Sc. Ordinarily a research student will be admitted to study for one of these degrees, and must have obtained an approved qualification. In exceptional cases he may be admitted without that qualification if he satisfies the Board that he qualified to enter on a course of special study or research.

In the case of B. Litt. the candidate is first admitted as a probationer student, and after consultation with his supervisor he chooses the precise subject for this thesis. This choice has to be made at any time within the first three terms, and after the subject has been approved by the Board of the Faculty concerned, the candidate is admitted as a student for the degree of B.Litt.

General. It is necessary to point out that these research degrees are not necessarily the next stage after a degree at an Indian University. A student who wishes to study a particular subject further is often best advised to read the Honour School in that subject and obtain the degree of B.A. at Oxford and M.A. in due course. Research degrees are intended for the man who has studied



a particular subject and is qualified to make a further special study of it. Therefore the rules specify that he must not only state precisely the branch of study which he proposes to pursue but give evidence of his fitness to undertake a course of special study in it. Further, applications must be made in good time to enable the Committee for advanced studies and the Board of his Faculties to consider them. These bodies meet in term time only.



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SECTION IV.—OF THE TIMES AND EXERCISES REQUIRED FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF LETTERS.

§ 1. Of the Degree of Bachelor of Letters.

Any person who has been permitted by the authority and in the manner hereinafter provided to enter on a course of special study and research in Letters may supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters provided that he has satisfied the conditions prescribed by this Statute.

§ 2. Of the Admission of Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters.

1. Any person may be admitted to a course of special study preparatory to research, to be pursued at Oxford, as a Probationer-student for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters, by the Board of the Faculty to which the branch of study which he proposes to pursue belongs, or, if it belongs to the Board of Studies for Music, by that Board; provided that the following conditions have been satisfied:

- (1) The name of any Candidate who has been matriculated must be on the books of some College or Hall or of the Delegacy of Non-Collegiate Students or of the Society of Oxford Home-Students.
- (2) Except as provided in cl. 4 below the Candidate must either (a) have passed the Examinations required for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts, or (b) have taken a Degree at some other University, such Degree and such University having been approved by the Hebdomadal Council, or (c) have obtained a Diploma with distinction under the provisions of *Statt. Tit. VIII.*

2. The application for admission as a Probationer-student for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters of a Candidate who has passed the Examinations required for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts shall be transmitted to the Secretary of Faculties by the Head or a Tutor of his Society, and shall be accompanied by a statement of the branch of study which he proposes to pursue and evidence of his fitness to undertake a course of special study therein.

3. The application for admission as a Probationer-student for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters of a Candidate who has not passed the Examinations required for the Degree of



Bachelor of Arts shall be transmitted to the Secretary of Faculties by the Head or a Tutor of the Society to which he belongs or to which he desires to belong, and shall be accompanied by evidence that he has satisfied the conditions of cl. 1 (2) (b) or (c) above, and by a statement of the branch of study which he proposes to pursue and evidence of his fitness to undertake a course of special study therein.

4. A Board shall have power in exceptional cases to admit as a Probationer-student for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters a person not qualified under the provisions of cl. (1) (2) (a) or (b) above who has satisfied it that he is qualified to enter on a course of special study and research in Letters.

An application for admission by a Candidate under the provisions of this clause shall be transmitted to the Secretary of Faculties by the Head or a Tutor of the Society to which he belongs or to which he desires to belong, and shall be accompanied by evidence of his previous education and by a statement of the branch of study which he proposes to pursue, and evidence of his fitness to undertake a special course of study therein.

5. The Secretary of Faculties shall bring the application of any Candidate who has satisfied the conditions of clause 1 or clause 4 of this subsection before the Board of the Faculty to which his proposed branch of study belongs, or, if it belongs to the Board of Studies for Music, before that Board, for its approval.

Such approval shall not be granted unless the Board is satisfied (1) that the Candidate is well fitted to enter on a course of special study preparatory to research, (2) that the branch of study proposed by him is one which may be profitably pursued under the superintendence of the Board.

6. A Board shall have power to appoint a Standing Committee of its own members to consider the applications of Candidates and to report to the Board.

7. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Faculties to notify the decision of the Board to the Candidate as soon as may be, and a Candidate whose application has been approved by the Board shall be admitted as a Probationer-student for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters so soon after receiving such notification as he shall have paid the statutable fee of £5 to the University Chest through the Secretary of Faculties; provided that no Candidate shall be so admitted until he has been matriculated as a member of the University.

### § 3. Of the Supervision of Students for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters.

1. Every Candidate on admission as a Probationer-student for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters shall be placed by the Board which admitted him under the supervision of a Graduate member of the University or other competent person selected by the Board, and the Board shall have power for sufficient reason to change the Supervisor of any Student.

2. It shall be the duty of a Probationer-student diligently to pursue any course of study preparatory to research recommended by his Supervisor, and in particular to attend such courses of instruction and classes as his Supervisor may advise.

At any time not being more than three Terms after the Term in which he was admitted as a Probationer-student the Candidate may apply to the Board for the approval of a subject for a thesis which has been selected by him in consultation with his Supervisor, provided that the Supervisor reports to the Board that in his opinion the Candidate is well qualified to undertake research in that subject. Such application shall be made through the Secretary of Faculties and shall be accompanied by a brief statement of the subject of the thesis and of the manner in which the Candidate proposes to treat it.

3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Faculties to submit any application made under the provisions of the preceding clause to the Board concerned, and if the Board approves the application the Candidate shall be admitted thereupon as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters. Each Board shall have power to determine by regulation what test, if any, it may require, in addition to the report of the Supervisor, before approving the application.

4. A Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters who has been admitted under the provisions of the preceding clause shall pursue his course of research at Oxford, unless he has obtained leave of absence from the Board which admitted him on the ground that it is desirable in the interests of his work that he should be allowed to carry on his research at some other place.

5. It shall be the duty of a Supervisor to advise a Probationer-student as to the courses of instruction and classes, if any, which he should attend, and generally to direct and superintend the work of any Student or Probationer-student. It shall also be his duty to assist a Probationer-student, when



he is satisfied of his competence. in the selection of a subject for his thesis, and to send to the Board through the Secretary of Faculties a report in accordance with the provisions of cl. 2 above. The Supervisor shall also report to the Board whenever requested by it and at any other time when he may deem it expedient.

6. Every Candidate who has been admitted as a Student or Probationer-student for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters shall pay to the Committee for Advanced Studies, through the Secretary of Faculties, a fee of £5 at the beginning of every Term of his course of study for the Degree. If the terminal fee is not paid by the end of the fourth week of Full Term, the Student shall not be entitled to count the Term for any of the purposes of this Section, unless the Term is that in which he was admitted as a Probationer-student by a Board of Faculty or of Studies, and he shall have paid the said terminal fee within seven days of the issue of the notification of such admission.

#### 7. The Committee for Advanced Studies

- (1) shall pay a supervision fee of £3 a Term to the Supervisor appointed for each Student;
- (2) shall make grants on the recommendation of a Board of Faculty or of Studies, so far as the funds at its disposal may allow, for the provision of instruction and training in the form of lectures, classes, or equipment, for Probationer-students working for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters.

#### § 4. Of the Examination of Students and the issue of Certificates.

1. At any time not earlier than the second nor later than the eighth Term after that in which the subject for his thesis was approved and not less than six months after the date of such approval a Student may apply for a Certificate that the work done by him in his course of research is of a sufficient standard of merit to entitle him to supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters. Such application shall be made to the Secretary of Faculties and shall be accompanied by

- (1) the statutory fee of £5;
- (2) a Certificate from his Society that his name has been continuously on the books of that Society since the date of his admission as a Probationer-student;
- (3) two copies of his thesis.

2. On receipt of any such application the Secretary of Faculties shall inform the Supervisor of the Student and shall submit the application to the Board by which the Student was admitted as soon as may be. The Board shall thereupon appoint two Examiners whose duties shall be

- (1) to consider the thesis sent in by the Student with his application under the provisions of the preceding clause;
- (2) to examine the Student orally, and also, if they think fit, by a written examination, in the subject of his thesis and in subjects relevant to his course of study;
- (3) to report to the Board through the Secretary of Faculties;
- (4) to return the copies of the Student's thesis to the Secretary of Faculties with their report.

3. Each Board of Faculty shall determine by Regulation whether the Supervisor of a Student shall be eligible for appointment as an Examiner of that Student or not. A Board which has determined by Regulation that a Supervisor shall not be eligible for appointment as Examiner shall nevertheless have power to apply to the Vice-Chancellor for leave to appoint a Supervisor as an Examiner in exceptional cases.

4. On receipt of the report of the Examiners it shall be the duty of the Board to decide whether a Certificate shall be issued to the Student or not, but a Certificate shall in no case be issued to a Student unless his Examiners have reported that the work done by him as embodied in his thesis and as tested by his Examination is in their opinion of sufficient merit to entitle him to supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters. Provided that if the Examiners are divided as to its standard of merit, the Board shall have power to satisfy itself in some other way as to the merit of the work done by the Student and to grant him a Certificate if it sees fit.

5. The certificate shall be signed on behalf of the Board by the Chairman and Secretary, and shall be of the following form:—

'This is to certify that A. B., of  
has, in conformity with the requirements of the Statutes completed a course of special study and research in (*here state the branch of study pursued by the Student*), and that his work therein as tested by a thesis and by examination has reached a standard of merit sufficient to entitle him to supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters.

C. D., Chairman.  
E. F., Secretary.'



6. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Faculties

- (1) to keep a record of the names of those Candidates who have been admitted as Probationer-students for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters and of the branch of study to which each was admitted, of the subjects approved for their thesis, and, where they have been examined, of the result of the Examination;
- (2) to publish in the usual manner at the end of each Term the names of those persons to whom Certificates have been issued during that Term or the preceding Vacation, together with a statement of the subject of the thesis written by each.

§ 5. Of the Admission, Supervision, and Examination of Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters whose proposed subjects do not belong to the Board of any Faculty or to the Board of Studies for Music.

1. If a Candidate who has satisfied the conditions of cl. 1 of § 2 of this Sectio desires to pursue a branch of study which does not belong to the Board of any Faculty or to the Board of Studies for Music, the Secretary of Faculties shall bring his application before the Committee for Advanced Studies for its approval.

Such approval shall not be granted unless the Committee is satisfied (1) that the Candidate is well fitted to enter on a course of special study preparatory to research, (2) that the branch of study proposed by him is one which may be profitably pursued under the superintendence of the University.

2. If the Committee for Advanced Studies shall approve the application of any such Candidate it shall have the same powers of admission, supervision, and examination as are given to Boards of Faculties under the preceding subsections of this Sectio, and the Committee shall perform the same duties in regard to any such Candidate as are laid upon Boards of Faculties in those subsections.

§ 6. Of the Conditions of Supplicating for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters.

1. Any Student to whom a Certificate has been issued under the provisions of § 4 of this Sectio may supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters provided that he has kept six Terms of residence within two miles and a half of Carfax as a matriculated member of the University.

2. Any Student who, after admission under § 2 of this Statute, has, for the purpose of carrying on his course of special study, resided as a matriculated member of the University within two miles and a half of Carfax, for a period of forty-two days, not necessarily consecutive, but falling within the same academical year, may apply to the Board or to the Committee for Advanced Studies, as the case may be, for leave to reckon such period as one Term's residence towards that required for the Degree of Bachelor of Letters by the preceding clause. The Board or the Committee shall have power to grant such leave provided that: (1) no day so reckoned which falls within any Term shall also be reckoned for the purpose of keeping that Term by residence; and (2) no Student who has kept by residence the Michaelmas, or the Hilary, or the Trinity Term shall be allowed to reckon in this manner any day that falls within the eight weeks beginning on the first day of Full Term in Michaelmas, or Hilary, or Trinity Term, as the case may be; and (3) no Student shall be allowed to reckon in this manner more than one such period in the same academical year; and (4) no Student shall be allowed to reckon more than three Terms as kept by residence in the same academical year. Provided also that the sum of £1 10s. 0d. in respect of University Dues shall be paid to the University Chest for any such period so reckoned.

3. Applications for leave to reckon any period as a Term kept by residence under the provisions of the preceding clause shall be made to the Board or the Committee, through the Secretary of Faculties, by the Head or a Tutor of the Student's Society. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Faculties, whenever a Term's residence has been allowed in the aforesaid manner by a Board or by the Committee, to report the fact as soon as may be to the Society of which the Student is a member.

§ 7. Of the Readmission of Candidates.

If a Candidate who has failed to obtain a Certificate applies to the Board or to the Committee for Advanced Studies, as the case may be, for permission to revise or rewrite his thesis, or to write a thesis on a new subject falling within his branch of study and approved by his Supervisor and to offer himself again for examination, the Board or Committee shall have power to grant or to refuse such permission. Applications for readmission shall be transmitted to the Secretary of Faculties



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SECTION V.—OF THE TIMES AND EXERCISES REQUIRED FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE.

§ 1. Of the Degree of Bachelor of Science.

Any person who has been admitted by the authority and in the manner hereinafter provided to enter on a course of research in Medicine or in Mathematics or in Natural Science may supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Science provided that he has satisfied the conditions prescribed by this Statute.

§ 2. Of the Admission of Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science.

1. Any person may be admitted to a course of research in Medicine or Mathematics or Natural Science as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science by the Board of the Faculty of Medicine or of Natural Science provided that the following conditions have been satisfied :

- (1) The name of any Candidate who has been matriculated must be on the books of some College or Hall, or of the Delegacy of Non-Collegiate Students, or of the Society of Oxford Home-Students.
- (2) Except as provided in cl. 4 below the Candidate must either
  - (a) have passed the Examinations required for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts, or
  - (b) have taken a Degree at some other University, such Degree and such University having been approved by the Hebdomadal Council.

2. The application for admission as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science of a Candidate who has passed the Examinations required for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts shall be transmitted to the Secretary of Faculties by the Head or a Tutor of his Society, and shall be accompanied by a statement in general terms of the subject which he proposes to investigate and evidence of his fitness to begin research therein.

3. The application for admission as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science by a graduate of another University who has not passed the Examinations required for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts shall be transmitted to the Secretary of Faculties by the Head or a Tutor of the Society to which he belongs or to which he desires to belong, and shall



be accompanied by all the necessary Certificates from his previous University and by a statement in general terms of the subject which he proposes to investigate and evidence of his fitness to begin research therein.

4. Either Board shall have power in exceptional cases to admit as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science a person not qualified under the provisions of cl. 1 (2) (a) or (b) above who has satisfied it that he is fully qualified to engage in research in Medicine, Mathematics, or Natural Science. An application for admission by a Candidate under the provisions of this clause shall be transmitted to the Secretary of Faculties by the Head or a Tutor of the Society to which he belongs, and shall be accompanied by evidence of his previous education and by a statement in general terms of the subject which he proposes to investigate and evidence of his fitness to begin research therein.

5. Every Candidate whose research is to be carried out in a Laboratory must send to the Secretary of Faculties with his application for admission evidence that the person in charge of the Laboratory considers that the subject proposed is suitable for investigation in that Laboratory.

6. The Secretary of Faculties shall bring the application of any Candidate who has satisfied the conditions of cl. 1 or cl. 4 of this subsection before the Board to which his proposed subject belongs for its approval.

Such approval shall not be granted unless the Board is satisfied

- (1) that the Candidate is well fitted for the research on which he proposes to enter;
- (2) that his investigation is one which may be profitably pursued under the superintendence of the Board.

7. Each Board shall have power to appoint a Standing Committee of its own members to consider the applications of Candidates and to report to the Board.

8. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Faculties to notify the Candidate of the decision of the Board as soon as may be, and a Candidate whose application has been approved by the Board shall be admitted as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science so soon after receiving such notification as he shall have paid the statutable fee of £5 to the University Chest through the Secretary of Faculties; provided that no Candidate shall be so admitted until he has been matriculated as a member of the University.

9. Any Candidate may, with the permission of the Board, alter the subject of research approved for him by the Board, and the date on which such permission has been granted shall be reckoned as the date of his admission for all the purposes of this Sectio, unless the Board shall order otherwise.

### § 3. Of the Supervision of Students for the Degree of Bachelor of Science.

1. Every Candidate on admission as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science shall be placed by the Board which admitted him under the supervision of a Graduate member of the University or other competent person selected by the Board, and the Board shall have power for sufficient reason to change the Supervisor of any Student.

It shall be the duty of the Supervisor to direct and supervise the work of the Student, but not to give him systematic instruction. The Supervisor shall send a report to the Board whenever requested by it, or at any other time when he may deem it expedient to do so.

2. Except as provided in § 5. cl. 4 below every Candidate who has been admitted as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science shall pay to the Committee for Advanced Studies, through the Secretary of Faculties, a fee of £3 at the beginning of every Term of his course of research for the Degree. If the terminal fee is not paid by the end of the fourth week of Full Term, the Student shall not be entitled to count the Term for the purposes of § 4. cl. 1 of this Sectio, unless the Term is that in which he was admitted by the Board, and he shall have paid the said terminal fee within seven days of the issue of the notification of such admission.

3. Except as provided in § 5. cl. 2 below the Committee for Advanced Studies shall pay to the Supervisor appointed for each Student a fee of £2 a Term.

4. A Student working for the Degree of Bachelor of Science shall pursue his course of research at Oxford, unless he has obtained leave of absence from the Board which admitted him on the ground that it is desirable in the interests of his work that he should be allowed to carry on his research at some other place.

### § 4. Of the Examination of Students and the issue of Certificates.

1. At any time not earlier than the second nor later than the eighth Term after that in which he was admitted a Student



may apply for a Certificate that the research carried out by him is of a sufficient standard of merit to entitle him to supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Science. Such application shall be made to the Secretary of Faculties and shall be accompanied by

- (1) the statutory fee of £5;
- (2) a Certificate from his Society that his name has been continuously on the books of that Society since the date of his admission as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science;
- (3) a Certificate from his Supervisor that the Student has pursued a course of research approved by him and falling within the subject approved by the Board for at least two Terms since the date of his admission;
- (4) two copies, or, if leave has been obtained from the Board, one copy of a thesis embodying the results of his investigations.

2. On receipt of any such application the Secretary of Faculties shall submit it to the Board by which the Candidate was admitted as soon as may be. The Board shall thereupon appoint two Examiners, whose duties shall be

- (1) to consider the thesis sent in by the Student under the provisions of the preceding clause;
- (2) to examine the Student orally and also, if they deem it expedient, in writing on his thesis and on subjects relevant to the research which he has undertaken;
- (3) to report to the Board through the Secretary of Faculties;
- (4) to return to the Secretary of Faculties with their Report the copy or copies of the thesis submitted by the Student.

3. No Supervisor of a Student shall be eligible for appointment as an Examiner of that Student unless special leave from the Vice-Chancellor has been obtained by the Board concerned, but the Examiners appointed for any Student shall have power to consult the Supervisor.

4. If in the opinion of the Examiners the work done by a Student during his course as embodied in his thesis and as tested by examination is of a sufficient standard of merit, they shall authorize the Secretary of Faculties to issue to him a Certificate in the form prescribed in clause 5 of this subsection. If the Examiners are divided as to the standard of merit

attained by the Student, they shall report in that sense to the Board. The Board shall then have power to satisfy itself in some other way as to the merit of the work done by the Student, and to grant him a Certificate if it sees fit.

5. The Certificate shall be signed on behalf of the Board by the Chairman and Secretary and shall be of the following form:—

‘This is to certify that A. B., of \_\_\_\_\_, has, in conformity with the requirements of the Statutes, pursued a course of research in (*here state the branch of Science in which the Student's research lay*), that his work therein as tested by a thesis and by examination has reached a standard of merit sufficient to entitle him to supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Science.

C. D., Chairman.

E. F., Secretary.’

6. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Faculties

- (1) when a Student has received a Certificate under the provisions of clause 4 above to report the fact as soon as may be to the Board of the Faculty concerned;
- (2) to keep a record of the names of those Candidates who have been admitted as Students for the Degree of Bachelor of Science, and of the subject of investigation approved for each by the Board, and, where they have been examined, of the result of the Examination;
- (3) to publish in the usual manner at the end of each Trinity Term the names of those persons to whom Certificates have been issued during the preceding academical year, together with a statement of the branch of Science in which each has carried out investigations.

#### § 5. Of the Award of Certificates to Candidates for Part II of the Subject, Chemistry, in the Honour School of Natural Science.

1. The Examiners in Part II of the Subject, Chemistry, in the Honour School of Natural Science shall have power to authorize the Secretary of Faculties to issue a Certificate in the form set out in the preceding subsection to any Candidate whose work in Part II, as tested by his experimental investigations submitted to them and by his Examination, is in their opinion worthy of the Degree of Bachelor of Science; provided



that the Candidate has made application to the Board of the Faculty of Natural Science before the end of the sixth week of the preceding Michaelmas Full Term, and has been admitted by that Board as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science.

2. The Supervisor for Part II of any Candidate admitted as above shall also be his Supervisor for the purposes of this Section but shall not be entitled to receive any fee from the Committee for Advanced Studies for such supervision.

3. A Student admitted under the provisions of this subsection may give notice, when sending the record of his experimental investigations to the Chairman of the Examiners, that it is not his desire to be considered yet for the Degree of Bachelor of Science. In that event the Student shall be entitled to apply for a Certificate subsequently in the manner laid down in § 4 of this Section.

4. A Student admitted under the provisions of this subsection shall pay fees through the Secretary of Faculties as follows:

- (1) a fee of £5 to the University Chest on admission;
- (2) a fee of £1 at the beginning of every Term of his course of research for the Degree of Bachelor of Science until he has been examined. This fee must be paid before the end of the fourth week of each Full Term;
- (3) a fee of £5 to the University Chest on application for a Certificate unless the Certificate shall have been awarded to him by the Examiners in Part II.

#### § 6. Of the Conditions of Supplicating for the Degree of Bachelor of Science.

1. Any Student to whom a Certificate has been issued under the provisions of the preceding subsection may supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Science provided that he has kept six Terms of residence within two miles and a half of Carfax as a matriculated member of the University.

2. Any Student who, after admission under § 2 of this Statute, has, for the purpose of carrying on his research, resided as a matriculated member of the University within two miles and a half of Carfax, for a period of forty-two days, not necessarily consecutive, but falling within the same academical year, may apply to the Board for leave to reckon such period as one Term's residence towards that required

for the Degree of Bachelor of Science by the preceding clause. The Board shall have power to grant such leave provided that: (1) no day so reckoned which falls within any Term shall also be reckoned for the purpose of keeping that Term by residence; and (2) no Student who has kept by residence the Michaelmas, or the Hilary, or the Trinity Term shall be allowed to reckon in this manner any day that falls within the eight weeks beginning on the first day of Full Term in Michaelmas, or Hilary, or Trinity Term as the case may be; and (3) no Student shall be allowed to reckon in this manner more than one such period in the same academical year; and (4) no Student shall be allowed to reckon more than three Terms as kept by residence in the same academical year. Provided also that the sum of £1 10s. 0d. in respect of University Dues shall be paid to the University Chest for any such period so reckoned.

3. Applications for leave to reckon any period as a Term kept by residence under the provisions of the preceding clause shall be made to the Board, through the Secretary of Faculties, by the Head or a Tutor of the Student's Society. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Faculties, whenever a Term's residence has been allowed in the aforesaid manner by a Board, to report the fact as soon as may be to the Society of which the Student is a member.

#### § 7. Of the Readmission of Candidates.

If a Candidate who has failed to obtain a Certificate applies to the Board for permission to continue his research and to offer himself again for examination, the Board shall have power to grant such permission. Applications for readmission shall be transmitted to the Secretary of Faculties by the Head, or Tutor of the Candidate's Society. The Secretary of Faculties shall notify the decision of the Board to the Candidate as soon as may be, and a Candidate whose application has been approved by the Board shall be readmitted so soon after receiving such notification as he shall have paid to the University Chest, through the Secretary of Faculties, the statutable fee of £5. Thereupon the provisions of this Section shall apply to him as if he were then for the first time admitted as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science, except that he may apply to the Board for a Certificate that his work has reached a sufficient standard of merit after a period, not being less than four months, which shall be fixed by the Board at the time of his readmission.



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SECTION V.—OF THE TIMES AND EXERCISES REQUIRED FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE.

§ 1. Of the Degree of Bachelor of Science.

Any person who has been admitted by the authority and in the manner hereinafter provided to enter on a course of research in Medicine or in Mathematics or in Natural Science may supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Science provided that he has satisfied the conditions prescribed by this Statute.

§ 2. Of the Admission of Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science.

1. Any person may be admitted to a course of research in Medicine or Mathematics or Natural Science as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science by the Board of the Faculty of Medicine or of Natural Science provided that the following conditions have been satisfied :

- (1) The name of any Candidate who has been matriculated must be on the books of some College or Hall, or of the Delegacy of Non-Collegiate Students, or of the Society of Oxford Home-Students.
- (2) Except as provided in cl. 4 below the Candidate must either
  - (a) have passed the Examinations required for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts, or
  - (b) have taken a Degree at some other University, such Degree and such University having been approved by the Hebdomadal Council.

2. The application for admission as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science of a Candidate who has passed the Examinations required for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts shall be transmitted to the Secretary of Faculties by the Head or a Tutor of his Society, and shall be accompanied by a statement in general terms of the subject which he proposes to investigate and evidence of his fitness to begin research therein.

3. The application for admission as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science by a graduate of another University who has not passed the Examinations required for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts shall be transmitted to the Secretary of Faculties by the Head or a Tutor of the Society to which he belongs or to which he desires to belong, and shall



be accompanied by all the necessary Certificates from his previous University and by a statement in general terms of the subject which he proposes to investigate and evidence of his fitness to begin research therein.

4. Either Board shall have power in exceptional cases to admit as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science a person not qualified under the provisions of cl. 1 (2) (a) or (b) above who has satisfied it that he is fully qualified to engage in research in Medicine, Mathematics, or Natural Science. An application for admission by a Candidate under the provisions of this clause shall be transmitted to the Secretary of Faculties by the Head or a Tutor of the Society to which he belongs, and shall be accompanied by evidence of his previous education and by a statement in general terms of the subject which he proposes to investigate and evidence of his fitness to begin research therein.

5. Every Candidate whose research is to be carried out in a Laboratory must send to the Secretary of Faculties with his application for admission evidence that the person in charge of the Laboratory considers that the subject proposed is suitable for investigation in that Laboratory.

6. The Secretary of Faculties shall bring the application of any Candidate who has satisfied the conditions of cl. 1 or cl. 4 of this subsection before the Board to which his proposed subject belongs for its approval.

Such approval shall not be granted unless the Board is satisfied

(1) that the Candidate is well fitted for the research on which he proposes to enter;

(2) that his investigation is one which may be profitably pursued under the superintendence of the Board.

7. Each Board shall have power to appoint a Standing Committee of its own members to consider the applications of Candidates and to report to the Board.

8. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Faculties to notify the Candidate of the decision of the Board as soon as may be, and a Candidate whose application has been approved by the Board shall be admitted as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science so soon after receiving such notification as he shall have paid the statutable fee of £5 to the University Chest through the Secretary of Faculties; provided that no Candidate shall be so admitted until he has been matriculated as a member of the University.

9. Any Candidate may, with the permission of the Board, alter the subject of research approved for him by the Board, and the date on which such permission has been granted shall be reckoned as the date of his admission for all the purposes of this Section, unless the Board shall order otherwise.

### § 3. Of the Supervision of Students for the Degree of Bachelor of Science.

1. Every Candidate on admission as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science shall be placed by the Board which admitted him under the supervision of a Graduate member of the University or other competent person selected by the Board, and the Board shall have power for sufficient reason to change the Supervisor of any Student.

It shall be the duty of the Supervisor to direct and supervise the work of the Student, but not to give him systematic instruction. The Supervisor shall send a report to the Board whenever requested by it, or at any other time when he may deem it expedient to do so.

2. Except as provided in § 5. cl. 4 below every Candidate who has been admitted as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science shall pay to the Committee for Advanced Studies, through the Secretary of Faculties, a fee of £3 at the beginning of every Term of his course of research for the Degree. If the terminal fee is not paid by the end of the fourth week of Full Term, the Student shall not be entitled to count the Term for the purposes of § 4. cl. 1 of this Section, unless the Term is that in which he was admitted by the Board, and he shall have paid the said terminal fee within seven days of the issue of the notification of such admission.

3. Except as provided in § 5. cl. 2 below the Committee for Advanced Studies shall pay to the Supervisor appointed for each Student a fee of £2 a Term.

4. A Student working for the Degree of Bachelor of Science shall pursue his course of research at Oxford, unless he has obtained leave of absence from the Board which admitted him on the ground that it is desirable in the interests of his work that he should be allowed to carry on his research at some other place.

### § 4. Of the Examination of Students and the issue of Certificates.

1. At any time not earlier than the second nor later than the eighth Term after that in which he was admitted a Student



may apply for a Certificate that the research carried out by him is of a sufficient standard of merit to entitle him to supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Science. Such application shall be made to the Secretary of Faculties and shall be accompanied by

- (1) the statutory fee of £5;
- (2) a Certificate from his Society that his name has been continuously on the books of that Society since the date of his admission as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science;
- (3) a Certificate from his Supervisor that the Student has pursued a course of research approved by him and falling within the subject approved by the Board for at least two Terms since the date of his admission;
- (4) two copies, or, if leave has been obtained from the Board, one copy of a thesis embodying the results of his investigations.

2. On receipt of any such application the Secretary of Faculties shall submit it to the Board by which the Candidate was admitted as soon as may be. The Board shall thereupon appoint two Examiners, whose duties shall be

- (1) to consider the thesis sent in by the Student under the provisions of the preceding clause;
- (2) to examine the Student orally and also, if they deem it expedient, in writing on his thesis and on subjects relevant to the research which he has undertaken;
- (3) to report to the Board through the Secretary of Faculties;
- (4) to return to the Secretary of Faculties with their Report the copy or copies of the thesis submitted by the Student.

3. No Supervisor of a Student shall be eligible for appointment as an Examiner of that Student unless special leave from the Vice-Chancellor has been obtained by the Board concerned, but the Examiners appointed for any Student shall have power to consult the Supervisor.

4. If in the opinion of the Examiners the work done by a Student during his course as embodied in his thesis and as tested by examination is of a sufficient standard of merit, they shall authorize the Secretary of Faculties to issue to him a Certificate in the form prescribed in clause 5 of this subsection. If the Examiners are divided as to the standard of merit

attained by the Student, they shall report in that sense to the Board. The Board shall then have power to satisfy itself in some other way as to the merit of the work done by the Student, and to grant him a Certificate if it sees fit.

5. The Certificate shall be signed on behalf of the Board by the Chairman and Secretary and shall be of the following form:—

‘This is to certify that A. B., of \_\_\_\_\_, has, in conformity with the requirements of the Statutes, pursued a course of research in (*here state the branch of Science in which the Student's research lay*), that his work therein as tested by a thesis and by examination has reached a standard of merit sufficient to entitle him to supplicate for the Degree of Bachelor of Science.

C. D., Chairman.

E. F., Secretary.’

6. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Faculties

- (1) when a Student has received a Certificate under the provisions of clause 4 above to report the fact as soon as may be to the Board of the Faculty concerned;
- (2) to keep a record of the names of those Candidates who have been admitted as Students for the Degree of Bachelor of Science, and of the subject of investigation approved for each by the Board, and, where they have been examined, of the result of the Examination;
- (3) to publish in the usual manner at the end of each Trinity Term the names of those persons to whom Certificates have been issued during the preceding academical year, together with a statement of the branch of Science in which each has carried out investigations.

#### § 5. Of the Award of Certificates to Candidates for Part II of the Subject, Chemistry, in the Honour School of Natural Science.

1. The Examiners in Part II of the Subject, Chemistry, in the Honour School of Natural Science shall have power to authorize the Secretary of Faculties to issue a Certificate in the form set out in the preceding subsection to any Candidate whose work in Part II, as tested by his experimental investigations submitted to them and by his Examination, is in their opinion worthy of the Degree of Bachelor of Science; provided



that the Candidate has made application to the Board of the Faculty of Natural Science before the end of the sixth week of the preceding Michaelmas Full Term, and has been admitted by that Board as a Student for the Degree of Bachelor of Science.

2. The Supervisor for Part II of any Candidate admitted as above shall also be his Supervisor for the purposes of this Sectio but shall not be entitled to receive any fee from the Committee for Advanced Studies for such supervision.

3. A Student admitted under the provisions of this subsection may give notice, when sending the record of his experimental investigations to the Chairman of the Examiners, that it is not his desire to be considered yet for the Degree of Bachelor of Science. In that event the Student shall be entitled to apply for a Certificate subsequently in the manner laid down in § 4 of this Sectio.

4. A Student admitted under the provisions of this subsection shall pay fees through the Secretary of Faculties as follows:

- (1) a fee of £5 to the University Chest on admission;
- (2) a fee of £1 at the beginning of every Term of his course of research for the Degree of Bachelor of Science until he has been examined. This fee must be paid before the end of the fourth week of each Full Term;
- (3) a fee of £5 to the University Chest on application for a Certificate unless the Certificate shall have been awarded to him by the Examiners in Part II.

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3. Applications for leave to reckon any period as a Term kept by residence under the provisions of the preceding clause shall be made to the Board, through the Secretary of Faculties, by the Head or a Tutor of the Student's Society. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Faculties, whenever a Term's residence has been allowed in the aforesaid manner by a Board, to report the fact as soon as may be to the Society of which the Student is a member.

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DELEGACY.

D.Phil. The minimum course of study for this degree has been reduced to two years, but admission to the status of advanced student will, in future, be more difficult, as it will usually be restricted to those who have already obtained the degree of B. Litt or B.Sc.

Graduates of other Universities (including Indian Universities) may be admitted, but only if they produce evidence of special fitness in a manner satisfactory both to the Committee for advanced studies and to the Board of the appropriate Faculty.

B. Litt. and B.Sc. Ordinarily a research student will be admitted to study for one of these degrees, and must have obtained an approved qualification. In exceptional cases he may be admitted without that qualification if he satisfies the Board that he qualified to enter on a course of special study or research.

In the case of B. Litt. the candidate is first admitted as a probationer student, and after consultation with his supervisor he chooses the precise subject for this thesis. This choice has to be made at any time within the first three terms, and after the subject has been approved by the Board of the Faculty concerned, the candidate is admitted as a student for the degree of B.Litt.

General. It is necessary to point out that these research degrees are not necessarily the next stage after a degree at an Indian University. A student who wishes to study a particular subject further is often best advised to read the Honour School in that subject and obtain the degree of B.A. at Oxford and M.A. in due course. Research degrees are intended for the man who has studied



a particular subject and is qualified to make a further special study of it. Therefore the rules specify that he must not only state precisely the branch of study which he proposes to pursue but give evidence of his fitness to undertake a course of special study in it. Further, applications must be made in good time to enable the Committee for advanced studies and the Board of his Faculties to consider them. These bodies meet in term time only.



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