Academic Year 2021/2022

These regulations are for students who began the programme in September 2014 or earlier.

Doctor of Philosophy (Integrated) in Phonetics and Phonology

Code: 8184F/P

Notes:

(i) These regulations are to be read in conjunction with the Regulations for Student Candidates for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Integrated).

1. Programme structure

- (a) The programme is available for study in both full-time and part-time modes.
- (b) The period of study for full-time mode shall normally be 4 years starting in September. The period of study for part-time mode shall normally be 8 years starting in September.
- (c) The programme comprises modules to a credit value of 540. This comprises 200 credits for taught elements of the programme and 340 credits for research elements of the programme.

2. Research Stage

In the research stage, candidates will write a thesis of around 50,000 words.

3. Assessment Methods

Students must normally accumulate a total of 200 credits in the taught (years 1 and 2) stage of the degree with an overall average of 60%. At this stage, they will normally be eligible to proceed to the research stage and will be allocated two supervisors to oversee their research project.

4. Other

Postgraduate research students are responsible for making themselves familiar with the Guidelines for Research Students approved by Senate from time to time which are available to them each academic year. The progress of students registered for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Integrated) shall be reviewed on a regular basis. At the end of their first year, students' work will reviewed by the relevant Board of Examiners. At the end of their second year, students are additionally required to present an outline of their research proposal to a panel. Progress panels are also held at the end of years three and four.

Progress and completion rates are of great importance and students will be given more detailed guidance on this once they reach PGR stage. Students whose performance is not satisfactory, but who have accumulated 180 credits, may be allowed to be considered for the award of MA Phonetics and Phonology by Research, which will also require the submission of a level 7 dissertation.

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5. Exit Awards

Candidates who pass Stage 1 of the taught element of the programme only (HSS8005, SEL8154, SPE8022, 40 credits of options – 120 credits in total) are eligible for the award of a Postgraduate Diploma in Phonetics and Phonology.

Candidates who pass the taught elements of stage 1 of the programme as listed above plus SPE8024 and undertake a 12,000 word master's dissertation (SPE8313), but do not proceed to the doctoral level dissertation, are eligible for the award of an MA in Phonetics and Phonology.

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