Regulaton 23: Degrees of Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy

General

1. This Regulaton applies to all research degrees as specified in the Academic Framework, including collaboratve provision. Taught elements of research degrees are governed by the taught regulatons. Excluded from this regulaton are Higher Degrees (see Regulaton 25).

2. In accordance with Artcle 10 of the Charter and in accordance with the Statutes, the University shall:

   a) grant and confer academic awards to qualified candidates where the specified standard and requirements have been met.
   b) where there is good cause, revoke any awards granted to them by the University.

3. Awards of the U fas a member of the academic sta of the University, thus enabling them to be a supervisor examiner or to undertake a PhD by Publ o ◄ Ạ University reserves the right to enforce its rights.

8. The Policy on Research Degrees (PoRD) underpins this Regulaton and should be referred to in conjunc ton with it.

Admission to a Research Degree

9. In additon to fulfilling any general or research degree specific entry requirements, PGRs shall not be admited to a research degree unless they have agreed to comply with the *Charter and Statutes*, and the of the University.

10. Considera ton of any requests for Entry with Advanced Standing will be as specified by the Policy on Research Degrees.

Registra ton

11. PGRs shall be registered in the School (or equivalent body) of the University of the main supervisor, only.

beginning of each University year, or at such me as is otherwise

Atendance

24. PGRs are required to atend and engage with their research degree as per the Policy Guidance on Atendance, Engagement and Absence for Research Students. Subject to local approval, Schools may set out additonal expectatons regarding on-campus atendance and engagement, in which case these will be clearly stated in the School's PGR handbook or equivalent resource.

25. No PGR may engage in any aspect of a research degree, including receiving supervision, unless they are registered for that degree. The auditng of taught modules by PGRs – which requires registraton on a Sussex research degree – is covered by the Policy on Research Degrees.

26. Subject to satsfactory progress (as assessed through Formal Progression Reviews; see the Policy on Research Degrees) PGRs are required to be registered contnuously for the duraton of their regisso mg mœœeœeseŹ 2 L p 'n eḣ yŔ 'n n œ N η c m h

35. If the PGR fails to attend their viva without good reason, they have not fulfilled the requirements of the award, and have thus failed the degree.

Academic and Research Misconduct

36. PGRs are subject to the University's Code of Practice for Research, the Procedure for the Investigation of Allegations of Misconduct in Research and, where they may be taking taught modules, the Academic Misconduct Regulation.

Requirements for an award

37. A PGR shall be required to satisfy the examiners that the criteria for award have been met for the degree under consideration, as outlined in the Academic Framework and Policy on Research Degrees.

38. The examiners shall make a recommendation via the Research Degrees Progression and Award Board to the Chair of the Postgraduate Researcher Board (PGRB), for approval on behalf of Senate.

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