

# Summary of changes to Academic Regulations for Postgraduate Research Awards 2024/25

We have made some changes to the academic regulations for the 2024/25 academic year. Below is a summary of the changes we have made.

You can find regulations, policies and procedures for postgraduate research programmes on our website at <https://www.gre.ac.uk/policies/postgraduate-research>. This document will also be made available on the website.

Unless otherwise stated, changes apply to all postgraduate research students (new and continuing) with effect from 1 August 2024.

If you have a question about any of the changes detailed below, please email Kate Southgate, Training and Research Programmes Manager at [k.h.southgate@gre.ac.uk](mailto:k.h.southgate@gre.ac.uk).

## Section F: EXAMINATION AND ASSESSMENT

Regulation	Changes
F1.2.2	Addition of a new requirement for an external examiner to complete a satisfactory right to work check before examination arrangements can commence. The external examiner can only have the right to work check once they have been approved by the Faculty Research Degrees Committee.
F1.2.3	The approval date used to calculate the start of the 3-month period examination arrangements are valid for has been amended. The 3-month period now starts from the date the External Examiner(s) right to work check has been completed.
F1.2.5	The name of the FRDC has been included to provide clarity regarding the point from which the student and supervisors must ensure they do not have contact with the Examination Panel during the examination process.
F1.2.11	A new regulation that clarifies only one version of the thesis to be examined may be submitted prior to the oral examination. Students need to ensure the version of the draft thesis they are submitting for examination is the correct version. Once a draft thesis has been submitted and forwarded to the examiners, no changes can be made.