Summary of changes to the Policy for Split Site PhD Arrangements– January 2011

Policy can be found at http://www.campus.manchester.ac.uk/researchoffice/graduate/code/collaboration/

Policy change	Section in new policy	Previous policy	Section in previous policy
All web links checked and updated	Throughout		
Refers queries regarding validated and distance learning PhDs to the Graduate Education Team in line with change of approach on this	1.5	Referred queries on validated PhDs to TLSO.	1.5
Refers all contract matters to University Contracts Team in line with a change of approach	1.6	Referred contract issues to the TLSO.	1.6 and 1.7
Clarification of the respective roles and remits of the Graduate Education Team and the TLSO in line with a change of approach. Graduate Education Team now specifically responsible for policy and regulations for research degree collaborations including split-site PhDs	1.6	Stated that TLSO was responsible for all collaborative arrangements, with input from Graduate Education for split-site PhD arrangements	1.6
Faculty contacts details included and confirmation that day to day management and oversight of split-site PhD programmes is undertaken by the relevant Faculty office	1.7	Faculty contacts not included	1.7
Rewording of statement on individual student arrangements to clarify that this policy applies to them too	1.8	Individual students are referred to but it is not explicitly stated that the policy refers to them	1.8
New SSC contact name provided for split-site fees	1.9	Not provided	

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Extract of current fees position provided	1.9	Not provided	
Section 2 rewritten following feedback from GEG. Strengthened rationale and links provided to Manchester 2015 and Salzburg II Principles	2	Not provided	
Reference made to University's main 'Policy and procedures for the quality assurance of collaborative provision" to avoid duplication and ensure consistency of process across split-site links.	3	No reference to this policy	
New section added on online support and communication technologies	4.1	Not provided	N/A
New section on taught units	4.2	Not provided	N/A
Attendance requirements and mode of study – new policy now requires a minimum of six months over the course of the degree	4.5	Did not prescribe a minimum attendance requirement in terms of months.	4.3
Requirement for students registered on a split-site PhD to have access to and be registered on eProg has been added and the web link to eProg is provided	4.6	Not provided	N/A
Requirement that the Main Supervisor must meet the student at least once a month and that this meeting can include virtual/online meetings.	4.8	Requirement was that students had to meet their Main Supervisor at least once per year with no reference to online/virtual means of communication	4.6

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Reference to University's 'Policy for the progression of postgraduate research students' has been added.	4.10	Not present	N/A
Contact details of Helen Baker added for eProg	4.10	Not present	N/A
Rewording of section with link to new examinations policy. Deletion of paragraph two regarding theses form and content.	4.11		4.9
Overview of Approval process has been deleted and reference made to 'Policy and procedures for the quality assurance of collaborative provision" for details on the approval requirements to ensure consistency with all other collaborative links.	N/A	Appendix One: Overview of approval process for split-site PhDs	Appendix One
Study Plan Guidance Notes are now appendix one	Appendix one	Study plan guidance notes were provided as appendix two	Appendix Two
Example of split-site PhD checklist from Faculty of Humanities – added to document	Appendix two	Not provided	N/A