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HUMANITIES DIVISIONAL BOARD

Title of Programme

Honour School of Oriental Studies – Jewish Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Administrative changes and changes to options.

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2014

For first examination from 2016-17

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2014, page 352

Detail of change

142 Jewish Studies

^{1.143}The following papers will be set.

1.144 a. Jewish History, Religion and Culture. One paper on one of the following languages: Biblical and Rabbinic, Medieval Hebrew, Modern Hebrew or Yiddish. Papers for Biblical and Rabbinic Hebrew.

Medieval Hebrew and Modern Hebrew are the same papers for subsidiary languages under Hebrew a(1), (b)1 and (c)1. Refer to section on Subsidiary Languages. Teaching for some language options may not be available in every year.

b. History, Culture and Society

1.145 <u>bc</u>. Five <u>of the following options</u>, of which at least one must be chosen from each of sections I, II, and III. At least <u>two three must</u> be chosen from papers which require study of set texts in the original language. Not more than one paper may be chosen from section V. <u>The list of options will be published in the course Handbook by Monday in the Weel 1 of Michaelmas Term in the year preceding <u>the examinations</u>.</u>

146 Section 1

1.147 (a) Biblical History⁴

1.148 (b) Biblical Archaeology

1.149(c) Biblical Narrative

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1.150 (a) Biblical Prophecy
<sup>151</sup>Section H
          1.152(e) Second Temple Judaism<sup>4</sup>
          1.153 (f) Second Temple History
          1.154 (g) History of the Talmudic Period
          1.155(h) Medieval Jewish History
          1.156 (i) Jewish Aramaic Literature4, 5
<sup>157</sup>Section III
         <del>1.158</del>(j) Haskalah*
         1.159 (k) Modern Jewish Society
          1.160 (I) Israel: History, Politics and Society
          1.161 (m) Modern Hebrew Literature
          1.162 (n) Yiddish Literature 4, 5
63 Section IV
          1.164 (o) History of Jewish-Christian Relations
         1.165 (p) History of Jewish-Muslim Relations
          1.166(q) History of Jewish Bible Interpretations
          1.167 (r) Hebrew Texts for Jewish Studies*
Section V
         1.169(s) Biblical Religion
          1.170(t) Medieval Jewish Thought*
          1.171 (u) Modern Jewish History
         1.172 (v) Modern Judaism
 1.173 Papers in section V will be examined in the form of two essays (one compulsory, the other from a
 choice of two) not exceeding 5,000 words in total. The subjects will be assigned in the Oriental
 Institute published at 10 a.m. on Monday of second week in the term in which the final examination is
 to be offered, and must be handed in to the Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford no later than 12
 noon on Monday of third week. Candidates will be contacted with details on how to collect or access the
 question paper. A signed statement that the essays are the candidate's own work should be submitted
 separately in a sealed envelope bearing his or her candidate number, to the Chair of Examiners (forms
 are available from the Faculty Office, Oriental Institute).
 ^{1.174}c. A dissertation (see the regulations for dissertations set out under B, SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR
 THE HONOUR SCHOOL OF ORIENTAL STUDIES).
 1.175 Special subjects may be offered instead of one of the five options in (c) above subject to the
 approval of the Oriental Studies Board.
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- ^{1.176}Some options may not be available in every year.
- ^{1.177}Candidates may obtain from the Oriental Institute information about which options may be offered for examination the first Monday of Michaelmas Full Term of the academic year preceding that in which the papers will be set.
- 1.178 Applications for the approval of options must be submitted not later than Monday of the second week of the Michaelmas Term preceding the examination by the deadline published in the course handbook.

Explanatory Notes

This change to the Regulations has the following aims:

- i) Administrative changes:
 - 1) Take-home papers will be released on Weblearn rather than collected from the Faculty Office. Information on where the paper will be released will be included in the examination conventions.
 - 2) Candidates must submit an electronic copy of the dissertation in Word or PDF in a memory stick or CD-Rom.
 - 3) All options are removed from the examination regulations to the course handbooks.
 - 4) Removing information on dissertation submission to the general regulations rather than under individual degrees so that information is only available at one place.
- ii) Renaming of one option to better reflect the content of the paper.
- iii) Increasing the number of set texts options that students are required to study from two to three.