

Medical Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of 7th December 2018

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation:

Honour School of Psychology, Philosophy and Linguistics

Brief note about nature of change:

Major amendment to assessment of the FHS Part I Psychology examination.

Location of change:

In *Examination Regulations 2018* <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsop-philandling/administratorview/>

Effective date:

For students starting FHS from TT 2019.

For first examination from 2019-20

Detail of change

1. PSYCHOLOGY

[2.1] PART I

[2.2] The five written papers as specified for Part I of the Honour School of Experimental Psychology will be set:

[2.3] Paper I Biological Bases of Behaviour.

[2.4] Component parts: (i) Cognitive Neuroscience, (ii) Behavioural Neuroscience.

[2.5] Paper II Human Experimental Psychology 1.

[2.6] Component parts: (i) Perception, (ii) Memory, Attention, and Information Processing.

~~[2.7] Paper III Human Experimental Psychology 2.~~

~~[2.8] Component parts: (i) Language and Cognition, (ii) Developmental Psychology.~~

~~[2.9] Paper IV Social Psychology, and Personality, Individual Differences and Psychological Disorders.~~

~~[2.10] Component parts: (i) Social Psychology, (ii) Personality, Individual Differences and Psychological Disorders.~~

~~[2.11] Paper V Experimental Design and Statistics.~~

~~[2.12] Candidates will be required to answer essays and short answer questions in four of the eight components of Papers I–IV. All candidates are required to offer Paper V.~~

~~[2.13] Candidates who wish to be deemed eligible for Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) of the British Psychological Society (BPS) must ensure that the components they select provide coverage of all five of the areas defined in the GBC curriculum. In order to achieve this, candidates must offer one component from each of four areas, chosen from the five areas prescribed below:~~

~~[2.14] 1. Cognitive Neuroscience or Behavioural Neuroscience from Paper I;~~

~~[2.15] 2. Perception; or Memory, Attention and Information Processing; or Language and Cognition from Papers II and III;~~

~~[2.16] 3. Developmental Psychology from Paper III;~~

~~[2.17] 4. Social Psychology from Paper IV;~~

~~[2.18] 5. Personality, Individual Differences, and Psychological Disorders from Paper IV.~~

~~[2.19] In addition, candidates must sit additional short answer questions covering one component from the remaining fifth area.~~

[2.1] PART I

[2.2] The four written papers as specified for Part I of the Honour School of Experimental Psychology will be set:

[2.3] Paper I Biological Psychology.

[2.4] Component parts: (i) Behavioural Neuroscience, (ii) Perception.

[2.5] Paper II Human Experimental Psychology.

[2.6] Component parts: (i) Cognition, (ii) Developmental Science.

[2.7] Paper III Social Psychology, and Individual Differences and Clinical Psychology.

[2.8] Component parts: (i) Social Psychology, (ii) Individual Differences and Clinical Psychology.

[2.9] Paper IV Experimental Design and Methods.

[2.10] Candidates will be required to answer essays and short answer questions in *three* of the six components of Papers I–III. All candidates are required to offer Paper IV (Part A).

[2.11] Candidates who wish to be deemed eligible for Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) of the British Psychological Society (BPS) must ensure that the components they select provide coverage of all five of the areas defined in the GBC curriculum. In order to achieve this, candidates must offer a total of three full papers and two short answer section only papers in the areas prescribed below:

[2.12] 1. Behavioural Neuroscience from Paper I;

[2.13] 2. Developmental Science from Paper II;

[2.14] 3. Social Psychology from Paper III;

[2.15] 4. Individual Differences and Clinical Psychology from Paper III;

[2.16] 5. A paper in either of the remaining two components from Papers I or II.

Explanatory Notes

The changes to the FHS Part I Psychology examination are being made following a review of the Part I course and examination, and in consultation with staff and current Preliminary Examination in Psychology, Philosophy and Linguistics, FHS Part I and FHS Part II Experimental Psychology and FHS Psychology, Philosophy and Linguistics students. Agreement has been sought from the current Preliminary Examination in Psychology students who will be taking the revised FHS Part I examination in TT 2020. The change was approved by the University's Education Policy Support Office on 7 December 2018.