HUMANITIES DIVISIONAL BOARD

Changes in the regulations governing the Honour School of History: communication from the Board of the Faculty of History

Honour School of History

Brief note about nature of the change: addition of a new General History paper, removal of detailed advice on thesis binding.

With effect from October 2014 (for first examination in 2015)

1 In Examination Regulations, 2013, p. 264, l. 33, delete ‘(xviii) Imperial and Global History, 1750-1914’ and substitute ‘(xviii) Eurasian Empires 1450-1800; (xix) Imperial and Global History, 1750-1914’.

2 Ibid., l. 44, after ‘1715’, add ‘; (xviii) Eurasian Empires 1450-1800’.

3 Ibid., l. 51, delete ‘(xviii)’ and substitute ‘(xix)’.

4 Ibid., p. 267, ll. 29-32, delete ‘All theses must be typed or word-processed in double-spacing on one side of A4 paper with the notes and references at the foot of each page, with a left-hand margin of one-and-a-half inches and all other margins of at least one inch.’.

Explanatory notes
The History Faculty has approved the addition of a new General History paper. The paper covers global history in the early modern period up to 1800 and therefore it is proposed to place it just before the current global history paper at the end of the list of papers, rather than with the early modern European papers. The paper that was formerly numbered (xviii) and will now be numbered (xix) had its title and coverage changed in 2009; this change brings the regulations up to date with the title in current use.

The History Faculty Board’s Examinations Sub-Committee has decided that the advice on thesis binding is obsolete now that the majority of students do not have their theses professionally bound. The Faculty prefers that all advice on formatting and presentation should be given in the FHS course handbook.

There are no vested interests. Potential resource implications of these changes have been checked.