Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation
Honour School of Oriental Studies

Brief note about nature of change:
Amendment to assessment type and language options

Location of change
In Examination Regulations 2016 (http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/hsofoniestud/)

Effective date
For students starting from MT 2017
For first examination from 2018-19

Detail of change
1.123 (for Course I): Hebrew composition and unprepared translation.
3. Prepared texts II: Rabbinic and Medieval Hebrew texts.
5. History, Culture and Society.
6. and 7. Two optional papers in Jewish Studies paper c. Not more than one paper from Section V.
8. Dissertation (Refer to Section B, Special Regulations for the Honour School of Oriental Studies).

9. (for Course II) Oral.

Or, for Hebrew with a subsidiary language, Papers 1-54 and 8 above, and three papers from one of the following additional subjects: Akkadian, Arabic, Aramaic and Syriac, Classics (in the Honour School of Classics and Oriental Studies), Egyptology, Persian, and Turkish.[...

Or, for Persian with a subsidiary language,

Papers 1., 2., 3., 7., and 10. above and 11. and 12.

Two papers from papers 4., 5., and 6 above

13., 14., and 15. Subsidiary language. Three papers on one of the following languages: Arabic, Armenian, Hebrew, Old Iranian, Classics (in the Honour School of Classics and Oriental Studies), Hindi/Urdu, and Turkish.

Or, for Turkish with a subsidiary language,

Papers 1-6 above and 11., 8., 9. Three papers on one of the following languages: Arabic, Armenian, Classics (in the Honour School of Classics and Oriental Studies), Hebrew, Hindi/Urdu, Persian.

Subsidiary Languages

Hebrew (for candidates offering Arabic, Classics (in the Honour School of Classics and Oriental Studies), or Egyptology and Ancient Near Eastern Studies, Persian or Turkish as main subject).

Candidates taking Arabic, Persian, or Turkish may offer either (a) Biblical and Rabbinic or (b) Medieval or (c) Modern Hebrew. Candidates taking Classics (in the Honour School of Classics and Oriental Studies) may offer either (a) Biblical and Rabbinic or (b) Medieval Hebrew. Candidates taking Egyptology may offer only Biblical and Rabbinic Hebrew. Biblical texts will be set from Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia (ed. Elliger and Rudolph).

The following papers will be set:

(a) Biblical and Rabbinic Hebrew:
1.262 1. Prose composition and unprepared translation.

1.263 2. Prepared texts I: Biblical texts. 6

1.264 3. Prepared texts II: Biblical and Rabbinic texts. 6

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1.314 Persian (for candidates offering Arabic, Classics (in the Honour School of Classics and Oriental Studies), Hebrew or Turkish as main subject).

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1.336 Turkish (for candidates offering Arabic, Classics (in the Honour School of Classics and Oriental Studies), Hebrew or Persian as main subject).

Explanatory Notes

1. To introduce a dissertation requirement for Hebrew with a subsidiary language. As a result of this requirement, it has also been decided - for the Hebrew as a subsidiary language strand - to remove the compulsory general paper, 5. History, Culture and Society. This is in order to keep a balanced workload for students taking Hebrew and students taking Hebrew as a subsidiary language.

2. To add Hebrew as a subsidiary language choice for students taking Persian or Turkish with a subsidiary language; to add Persian and Turkish as a subsidiary language choice for students taking Hebrew with a subsidiary language.