# Changes in Examination Regulations to the University Gazette – Social Sciences Division

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#### **Social Sciences Divisional Board**

# **Approved at the meeting of Quality Assurance Committee**

## Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation

Honour School of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

**Brief note about nature of change**: Removal of the requirement to take core Economics papers in the first year of the FHS; the introduction of appropriate prerequisites for Economics options taken in the second year of the FHS.

#### Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018*, <a href="http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsop-poliandecon/studentview/">http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/hsop-poliandecon/studentview/</a>

#### **Effective date**

For students starting the FHS from MT 2019-20

For first FHS examination from 2020-21

## Detail of change

1. Amend citation 1.3 as follows:

'No candidate shall be admitted to examination in this school unless they have he or she has passed or been exempted from the first Public Examination.'

2. Amend citation 1.7 as follows:

'Candidates must take eight subjects in all, and must satisfy requirements of particular branches of the school:, including, in Philosophy, those set out in the Regulations for Philosophy in all Honour Schools including Philosophy, and, in Politics and Economics, requirements to take core subjects. In Politics, the core subjects are any two of 201, 202, 203, 214, and 220; in Economics the core subjects are 300, 301 and 302. In Politics, any of 201, 202, 203, 214, and 220 which are not offered as core subjects may be offered as further subjects.'

3. Insert the following text under citation 1.7:

'In Philosophy, candidates must satisfy the requirements set out in the Regulations for Philosophy in all Honour Schools including Philosophy.

In Politics, candidates must take any two of the core subjects, 201, 202, 203, 214 and 220. Any of 201, 202, 203, 214 and 220 which are not offered as core subjects may be offered as further subjects.

In Economics, most subjects must be taken in combination with one or more of 300, 301 and 302 (see the Schedule in the List of Subjects for details).'

4. Amend citation 1.8 as follows:

'On entering his or her their name for the examination by the date prescribed, each candidate must give notice to the Registrar of the papers being offered.'

5. Amend citation 1.11 as follows:

'Candidates must take (i) **one** of subjects 101, 102, 115, and 116, and (ii) subject 103, any two of subjects 300, 301, and 302 (iii) and any two of 201, 202, 203, 214, and 220, and (iv) at least two subjects in Economics.'

6. Amend citation 1.12 as follows:

'Their other two subjects may be chosen freely from those listed under Philosophy, and under Politics, and under Economics, except that (i) if any subjects in Economics are chosen they must include the third core subject; (ii) certain combinations of subjects may not be offered (see List of Subjects below); and (iii) not all Economics subjects may be available in any particular year (see below for details). There may also be restrictions on numbers permitted to offer some Economics subjects in any particular year.'

7. Amend citation 1.14 as follows:

'Candidates must take (i) **one** of subjects 101, 102, 115, and 116, and (ii) subject 103, and (iii) any two of 201, 202, 203, 214, and 220.'

8. Amend citation 1.15 as follows:

Their other four subjects may be chosen freely from those listed under Philosophy and under Politics, except that (i) at least one must be a subject in Philosophy and the Regulations for Philosophy in all Honour Schools including Philosophy must be adhered to; (ii) at least one must be a further subject in Politics (other than the thesis (or the supervised dissertation) if offered); (iii) one but only one may be a subject in Economics, selected from the following list: 300, 301, 302, 311, (iiiiv) certain combinations of subjects may **not** be offered (see List of Subjects below).'

9. Amend citation 1.17 as follows:

'Candidates must take subjects 300, 301, and 302 and (i) any two of 201, 202, 203, 214, and 220, and (ii) at least three subjects in Economics.'

10. Amend citation 1.20 as follows:

'Candidates must take (i) **one** of subjects 101, 102, 115, and 116, <del>and</del> (ii) subjects 103, <del>300, 301, and 302</del>, and (iii) at least three subjects in Economics.'

11. Amend citation 1.86 as follows:

'Not all Economics subjects may be offered in any particular year. There may also be restrictions on numbers permitted to offer some Economics subjects in any particular year. Subjects 300, 301, 302, and 311 must be studied in the first year of the candidate's enrolment for the Honour School. The rest of the subjects may only be studied in the second year of the candidate's enrolment for the Honour School.'

12. Amend citation 1.87 as follows:

'Economics subjects available to candidates in any particular year will depend on the availability of teaching resources. Details of the choices available for the following second year of the Honour School will be announced at the Economics Department's 'Options Fair' at the beginning of the fourth week of the first Hilary Full Term of candidates' work for the Honour School, and will be posted on the Department's undergraduate web-site at the same time.'

13. Insert the following text under 1.87 as follows:

'Not all Economics subjects may be available in any particular year. There may also be restrictions on numbers permitted to offer some Economics subjects in any particular year.

More than one Special Subject in Economics (paper 398) may be offered.'

- 14. Delete citation 1.91
- 15. Delete citation 1.93
- 16. Delete citation 1.94
- 17. Delete citation 1.95
- 18. Delete citation 1.96
- 19. Delete citation 1.100
- 20. Delete citation 1.102
- 21. Amend citation 1.103 as follows:
- '398. Special subjects in Economics'
  - 22. Delete citation 1.181
  - 23. Delete citation 1.182
  - 24. Delete citation 1.183

#### 25. Insert new citation after 1.185 as follows

## 'Candidates offering this subject must also offer 300 and 302.'

- 26. Delete citation 1.187
- 27. Delete citation 1.188
- 28. Delete citation 1.189
- 29. Delete citation 1.190
- 30. Delete citation 1.191
- 31. Delete citation 1.192 (also deleting the associated footnote)
- 32. Delete citation 1.193
- 33. Delete citation 1.194
- 34. Delete citation 1.195
- 35. Insert a new citation under 1.199 as follows:

#### 'Candidates offering this subject must also offer 300 and 301.'

36. Insert a new citation under 1.207 as follows:

# 'Candidates offering this subject must also offer 300.'

- 37. Delete citation 1.208
- 38. Delete citation 1.209
- 39. Insert a new citation under citation 1.214 as follows:

## 'Candidates offering this subject must also offer 301.'

- 40. Delete citation 1.215
- 41. Delete citation 1.216
- 42. Delete citation 1.217
- 43. Delete citation 1.218
- 44. Delete citation 1.219
- 45. Delete citation 1.220
- 46. Delete citation 1.221
- 47. Delete citation 1.222
- 48. Delete citation 1.223

- 49. Amend citation 1.224 as follows:
- '398. Special subjects in Economics'
  - 50. Amend citation 1.225 as follows:

'Special Subjects will be examined either by examination paper of assessed essay. No candidate may offer more than one Special Subject. The list of Special Subjects will be published by the Department of Economics at its 'Options Fair' at the beginning of the fourth week of the first Hilary Full Term of candidates' work for the Honour School, and will be posted on the Department's undergraduate web-site at the same time. Most special subjects may only be taken in combination with one or more of 300, 301, and 302. Depending on the availability of teaching resources, not all Special Subjects will be available in every year. There may be no Special Subjects offered in a particular year.'

- 51. Delete footnote 2 at the bottom of the regulations:
- 2 This option may not be available every year.

## **Explanatory Notes**

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