

Humanities Divisional Board

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Title of Programme

Master of Philosophy in Philosophical Theology

Brief note about nature of change: online submission

Location of change

Examination Regulations 2017-18 online (<https://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2017-18/mopinphiltheo/studentview/>)

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2017

For first examination in 2018-19.

Detail of change

New text underlined, deleted text struck through:

^{1.1}The regulations made by the Boards of the Faculty of Theology and Religion and the Faculty of Philosophy are as follows:

^{1.2}~~Candidates will be admitted to take the examination as defined below in a specific year. In exceptional circumstances candidates may be allowed to take an examination later than one to which they were admitted. Permission for this must be sought from the Joint Standing Committee for Graduate Studies in Philosophical Theology not later than Monday of the week before the first week of the Trinity Term in which the examination was to have been taken. The application must have the~~

~~support of the candidate's college and be accompanied by a statement from the supervisor.~~

1.3 Candidates shall be required:

1.4(a) To present themselves for a written examination in three of the papers prescribed below, the selection to depend on their previous qualifications;

1.5(b) to present a thesis¹ of not more than 30,000 words on a topic in philosophical theology to be approved by the Joint Standing Committee for Graduate Studies in Philosophical Theology ~~(the thesis must be accompanied by a signed statement by the candidate that the thesis is his or her own work except where otherwise indicated; successful candidates may be required to deposit one copy of the thesis in the Bodleian and to sign a form stating whether they give permission for the thesis to be consulted)~~ The completed thesis must be uploaded to the Assignment section of the MPhil Philosophical Theology WebLearn site by Friday of Week 8 of Trinity Term. Each submission will require the candidate to make a declaration indicating that this is their own work.

1.6(c) to present themselves for a viva voce examination unless individually dispensed by the examiners ~~(no candidate will be failed without a viva).~~

1.7 1. *Philosophy of Religion*

1.8 with syllabus for examination the same as that for essays for the B.Phil. in Philosophy.

1.9 2. *Either Moral Philosophy*

1.10 *or Metaphysics and Theory of Knowledge*

1.11 *or Philosophical Logic and Philosophy of Language*

1.12 *or Philosophy of Science*

1.13 *or Philosophy of Mind and of Action*

1.14 with syllabus for examination the same as that for essays for the B.Phil. in Philosophy.

1.15 3. *History of Philosophical Theology*

1.16 The paper will contain questions on philosophical influences on theology during the patristic period, the early medieval period, and the period 1760-1860.

Candidates are required to show knowledge of two of the three periods, and, within each of those two periods, of some of the principal relevant writings, viz. for the patristic period of works of Origen and Augustine, for the early medieval period of works of Anselm and Aquinas, and for the period 1760-1860 of works of Kant, Kierkegaard, and Schleiermacher. Study of texts in the original languages will not be required.

^{1.17}4. Either *The Development of Christian Doctrine to AD 787* or *Theology in Western Europe from Gabriel Biel to Jacob Arminius*

^{1.18}as specified for the M.Phil. in Theology (paper 1 of Section A and paper 1 of Section C of the Christian Doctrine option).

^{1.19}~~The Examiners may award a Distinction for excellence in the whole examination.~~

Explanatory Notes

These changes provide for the online submission of assessed coursework with effect from 2018-19. The changes affect current students, who have given consent.