

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

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Social Sciences Board

Approved by Chair's Action on behalf of Teaching Audit Committee on 06/07/16

Title of Programme

Final Honour School of Archaeology and Anthropology

Brief note about nature of change: new option paper and updates to text

Effective date

With immediate effect for students who started FHS in MT 2015

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2015

Detail of change

Honour School of Archaeology and Anthropology

A

1. The examination in the Honour School of Archaeology and Anthropology shall consist of such subjects in Archaeology and Anthropology as the Social Sciences Board shall prescribe by regulation from time to time.
2. No candidate shall be admitted to the examination in this school unless he or she has either passed or been exempted from the First Public Examination.
3. The examination shall be under the supervision of the Social Sciences Board. Under the overall direction of the board, the examination shall be administered by the School of Archaeology and the School of Anthropology, which shall jointly appoint a standing committee to advise the board as necessary in respect of this examination, and of Honour Moderations and the Preliminary Examination in Archaeology and Anthropology.

4. Candidates will be required to take part in approved fieldwork as an integral part of their course. The fieldwork requirement will normally have been discharged before the Long Vacation of the second year of the course.

B

Candidates are required to offer the following subjects, each to be examined by a three-hour written paper in the Trinity Term of their third year:

1. Social analysis and interpretation.
2. Cultural representations, beliefs, and practices.
3. Landscape and Ecology.
4. Urbanisation and change in complex societies: comparative approaches.
- 5., 6., and 7. An approved combination of three optional subjects, from Schedule A (Anthropology) and/or Schedule B (Archaeology) [see below] or any other optional subject approved by the ~~Committee for the School of Archaeology or the Committee for the School of Anthropology~~ Standing Committee. To encourage a wide-ranging understanding of archaeology and anthropology, options shall be chosen in such a way that they constitute three independent, non-overlapping subjects. For example, because of potential overlap in subject matter, approval may not be given to candidates who wish to select from Schedule B (Archaeology) either two of papers (f), (g), or (i), or both papers (k) and (l).
- ~~8. A thesis, of not more than 15,000 words, which may be based on research in either archaeology or anthropology or on an interdisciplinary topic.~~

~~Candidates may be examined viva voce.~~

Schedule A (Anthropology)

- (a) Culture and Society of West Africa
- (b) South Asia
- (c) Lowland South America
- (d) Gender theories and realities cross cultural perspectives
- (e) Understanding Museums and Collections
- (f) Japanese society
- (g) Medical Anthropology: Sensory Experience, the Sentient Body and Therapeutics
- (h) Anthropology of Europe

Schedule B (Archaeology)

- (a) The Later Prehistory of Europe
- (b) Archaeology of Southern African Hunter-Gatherers
- (c) Farming and early states in Sub-Saharan Africa
- (d) Mesopotamia and Egypt from the emergence of complex society to c.2000 bc

- (e) Mesopotamia and Egypt 1000-500 bc
- (f) The Late Bronze Age and Early Iron Age Aegean
- (g) The Greeks and the Mediterranean World c.950-500 bc
- (h) Greek archaeology and art c.500-323 bc
- (i) Roman Archaeology: Cities and settlement under the Empire
- (j) Art under the Roman Empire, ad 14-336
- (k) The emergence of Medieval Europe ad 400-900
- (l) Byzantium: the transition from Antiquity to the Middle Ages, ad 500-1100
- (m) Science-based methods in Archaeology
- (n) Archaeology of Modern Human Origins
- (o) Anglo-Saxon Society and Economy in the Early Christian Period
- (p) Archaeology and Geographical Information Systems
- (q) Landscape Archaeology
- (r) Biological Techniques in Environmental Archaeology
- (s) From hunting and gathering to states and empires in South-west Asia
- (t) Physical Anthropology and Human Osteoarchaeology
- (u) The Archaeology of Minoan Crete 3200 - 10000 BC
- (v) Hellenistic Archaeology, 330-30 BC

(w) From the First Ceramics to the Terracotta Soldiers: The Archaeology of Early China

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Some options may not be available in every year. Candidates will be circulated a list of options offered for examination in the following two years of study by Friday of the eighth week of the Michaelmas Full Term.

Having been approved by Standing Committee, Notice of the options to be offered by candidates must be submitted to the Examination Schools not later than the Friday in the fourth week of the Michaelmas Full Term immediately preceding the examination.

8. A dissertation of not more than 15,000 words, which may be based on research in either archaeology or anthropology or on an interdisciplinary topic (see specific details below)

ThesisDissertation

4.

- (a) The subject of every ~~thesis-dissertation~~ shall, to the satisfaction of the ~~regulating authority concerned~~Standing Committee, fall within the field of Archaeology or Anthropology or both.

(b) The subject of the ~~thesis-dissertation~~ may, but need not, overlap with a subject or period on which the candidate offers papers. Candidates are warned, however, that they must avoid repetition in the papers of material used in their ~~thesisdissertation~~, and that they will not be given credit for material extensively repeated.

(c) Candidates must submit through their college, to the Chair of the Standing Committee ~~_for the Undergraduate Degree in Archaeology and Anthropology (c/o the Secretary of the Standing Committee, Institute of Archaeology, Beaumont Street)~~, the title of the proposed ~~thesisdissertation~~, together with (a) a synopsis of the subject in about 100 words; and (b) a letter of support from the person whom they wish to supervise their dissertation (and who will be subject to the Standing Committee's approval) ~~tutor who will supervise the thesis~~, not later than Monday of ~~the noughth-w~~Week 0 of the Trinity Full Term preceding that in which the examination is held.

(d) The Standing Committee ~~for the Undergraduate Degree in Archaeology and Anthropology~~ will decide as soon as possible, and in every case by the end of the fifth week of the Michaelmas Full Term preceding the examination, whether or not to approve the title, and will advise candidates of its decision forthwith.

~~(e)2-~~ Every ~~thesis-dissertation~~ must be the candidate's own work, although it is expected that tutors will discuss with candidates the proposed field of study, the sources available, and the method of presentation. Tutors may also read and comment on a first draft. Candidates must sign a certificate stating that the ~~thesis-dissertation~~ is their own work, and their tutors shall countersign the certificate affirming that they have assisted the candidate no more than these regulations allow. This certificate must be presented at the same time that the ~~thesis-dissertation~~ is submitted, but in a separate sealed envelope addressed to the Chair of the Examiners.

~~(f)3- Theses-Dissertations~~ previously submitted for the Honour School of Archaeology and Anthropology may be resubmitted. No ~~thesis-dissertation~~ will be accepted if it has already been submitted, wholly or substantially, for another final honour school or degree of this University or a degree of any other institution. The certificate must also contain confirmation that the ~~thesis-dissertation~~ has not already been so submitted.

~~(g)4-~~ No ~~thesis-dissertation~~ shall be ineligible because it has been submitted, in whole or in part, for any scholarship or prize of this University advertised in the Oxford University Gazette.

~~(h)5-~~ No ~~thesis-dissertation~~ shall exceed 15,000 words in length, that limit to include all notes but not bibliographies, catalogues of material evidence, gazetteers, or technical

appendices.

(i) All ~~theses-dissertations~~ must be typed in double-spacing on one side of A4 paper, and must be bound or held firmly in a stiff cover. Two copies must be submitted to the chair of the examiners, and a third copy must be retained by the candidate. All copies must bear the candidate's examination number but not his or her name.

(i)6. The ~~thesis-dissertation~~ must be sent, not later than noon on Friday of the ninth week of Hilary Full Term preceding the examination, to the Chair of the Examiners, Honour School of Archaeology and Anthropology, Examination Schools, High Street, Oxford.

Candidates may be examined viva voce.

Explanatory Notes

Introduction of new option paper and updates to text.

The option will be available to students who started FHS in MT2015 as a third year option.