Humanities Divisional Board

Approved on 9 June 2017

Honour School of Literae Humaniores

Brief note about nature of change: Changes to papers and rules on permissible combinations

Effective date

For students starting from TT 2018

For first examination in 2019-20

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2016 (http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/hsoflitehuma/)

Detail of change

1.7.3. All candidates must offer at least four text-based subjects, except that candidates in Course II who offer Second Classical Language must offer at least three text-based subjects. All candidates in Course I must offer at least one text-based subject in each of (1) Greek and (2) Latin. Some subjects (503, 504, 507) may count as text-based subjects in either Greek or Latin. The text-based subjects are as follows:

1.8(1) in Greek

1.9130: Plato, Republic

1.10131: Plato on Knowledge, Language, & Reality in the Theaetetus & Sophist Plato, Theaetetus and Sophist

1.11132: Aristotle, Nicomachean Ethics

1.12133: Aristotle on Nature, Life and Mind Aristotle, Physics
II. Philosophy

Candidates may offer up to five subjects in Philosophy, from the list below. Candidates offering one Philosophy subject only may offer any of the subjects listed below except 199. Those offering at least two Philosophy subjects must select at least one subject in ancient philosophy, i.e. one of 115, 116 or 130-139, 131, 132, 133, 134 and 135. Those offering three or more subjects must also select one non-ancient Philosophy subject, i.e. a subject other than 115, 116 or 130-139, from 101, 102, 103 and 108. Candidates offering subject 199 (Thesis in Philosophy) must offer at least three other subjects in Philosophy. The syllabus for each subject, including thesis regulations, is specified in Regulations for Philosophy in all Honour Schools including Philosophy. In the list below, numbers in parenthesis after a subject’s title indicate other subjects with which it may not be combined.

1.100131 Plato on Knowledge, Language, & Reality in the Theaetetus & Sophist (in Greek) (137) Plato: Theaetetus & Sophist (in Greek)

1.101132 Aristotle: Nicomachean Ethics (in Greek) (116)

1.102133 Aristotle on Nature, Life and Mind (in Greek) (138) Aristotle: Physics (in Greek)

1.103134 Knowledge and Scepticism in Hellenistic Philosophy (in Greek) (136, 139) Sextus Empiricus: Outlines of Pyrrhonism (in Greek)

1.104135 Latin Philosophy (in Latin)

136 Knowledge and Scepticism in Hellenistic Philosophy (in Latin) (134, 139)

137 Plato on Knowledge, Language, & Reality in the Theaetetus & Sophist (in translation) (131)

138 Aristotle on Nature, Life and Mind (in translation) (133)

139 Knowledge and Scepticism in Hellenistic Philosophy (in translation) (134, 136)
Explanatory Notes

The Philosophy Faculty has decided to relax the regulations on permitted combinations of Philosophy subjects. Students taking three or more Philosophy subjects will no longer be required to offer one of subjects 101, 102, 103 and 108, but may offer any non-ancient Philosophy subject.

The Philosophy Faculty has also redesigned three of the ancient subjects and revised their titles. There will be an option study any of these three subjects in English translation. “Knowledge and Scepticism in Hellenistic Philosophy” will also be available in both Ancient Greek and Latin text-based versions.