Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of:

the Computer Science and Philosophy Supervisory Committee, 13-2-17

Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation [if general)]

Honour School of Computer Science and Philosophy

Brief note about nature of change: amendment to the list of Philosophy subjects offered to candidates: candidates will now be able to offer 198 (Special Subjects), as agreed by the Supervisory Committee.

Removal of subject 180 from the list of Philosophy subjects offered to Part C candidates (as published on 1617-08-HUG)

Effective date

For students starting FHS (Part A) from MT 2016 (Part B MT 2017).

For first examination from 2017-18.

Location of change

In Examination Regulations 2016 , http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2016-17/hsocscieandphil/

Detail of change

Amend citation reference 3.1 as follows:

Part B

The examination for Part B shall consist of subjects in Computer Science and Philosophy. The subjects in Computer Science shall be published in three schedules, B1(CS&P), B2(CS&P), and B4(CS&P), in a supplement to the Course Handbook by the beginning of the Michaelmas Full Term in the academic year of the examination concerned. Each Computer Science subject shall be examined by a written paper or by a mini-project. The subjects in Philosophy shall be subjects 101–

118, 120, 122, 124, 125, 127, 128 and 198 from the list given in Special Regulations for All Honour Schools Including Philosophy, and subject to the regulations therein. With the exception of 198, each subject in Philosophy shall be assessed by a 3-hour written examination. Subject 198, Special Subjects, may be examined by other methods and when this is the case, the method in question will be duly communicated to the relevant students.

Explanatory Notes

The Faculty of Philosophy has provision for a FHS Special Subject paper (paper 198), by which faculty members can offer papers on a topic of their interest for a limited period of time (a few years normally). These papers can be assessed in ways other than by a 3-hour exam paper. The provision of such papers is of benefit both to students and faculty members.

Recently the Faculty received two offers of such special papers and the USC decided that, given the academic merit of these papers, they should be made available to all schools including Philosophy. But the Computer Science and Philosophy school currently does not contemplate the provision of such a paper. This regulation change corrects this omission.

In Michaelmas Term 2016, Philosophy's Undergraduate Studies Committee agreed to withdraw the Philosophy paper 180, the Rise of Modern Logic, available to part C candidates in the joint schools with Mathematics, Physics and Computer Science. The last year that this will be available for examination is Finals 2017.