## Title of Programme

Final Honour School in Oriental Studies (Turkish)

### Brief note about nature of change: Amendments to options.

### Effective date

- For students starting from MT 2015
- For first examination from 2016-17

### Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2014, page 356, line 20-40

### Detail of change: Please see attached.

### Explanatory Notes

These changes (i) remove the obligation to take option (a) “Turkish and Ottoman Literary Texts, 1300-1900” in order to take option (b) “Turkish literature: general questions” and (ii) replace the special subject with a compulsory dissertation. There are also a small number of changes to the administrative procedures for the degree.

Change (i) has been introduced:

a. To give the opportunity to students to focus on modern Turkish literature
b. To reflect the expertise of current teaching staff
c. To lessen the teaching load of current staff as the lecture part of the option would be taught in common with the MPhil Modern Middle Eastern Studies seminar “Turkish Literature: Texts and Contexts”. The tutorial work, however, would be different.

The new formulation would still allow the study of pre-modern Ottoman Turkish literature.

Change (ii) brings Turkish in line with the BA in Arabic and BA in Persian.

There are no students currently on course.
Turkish

*Turkish Handbook.* The Board of the Faculty of Oriental Studies shall issue annually the Handbook for the Honour Schools of Oriental Studies (Turkish, Turkish with a Subsidiary Language, and Turkish with Islamic Art and Archaeology) by Monday of Week 1 of the first Hilary Term of candidates’ work for the Honour School. The Handbook will include, amongst other things, lists of the set texts prescribed for particular papers.

Candidates for entry to the Final Honour School of Turkish with Islamic Art and Archaeology will be required to have satisfied the faculty board, by means of written testimonials and a written report on the project(s) completed in Year 2, as to their active and useful participation in the approved project(s).

The following papers will be set:

*Either, for Turkish only,*

1. Unprepared translation from Ottoman and modern Turkish.
2. Translation into Turkish and essay in Turkish.
3. *Oral Spoken Turkish.*
4. Ottoman historical texts.
5. Turkish political and cultural texts, 1860 to the present.
6. Modern Turkish literary texts.

7, 8, 9. Three papers from the following list of options published in the course handbook:

(a) Turkish and Ottoman literary texts, 1300–1900.

(b) Turkish literature: general questions. (Only available to candidates taking option (a).)

(c) Turkish language reform and language politics from 1850 to the present-day.

(d) Islamic History, 570–1500.

(e) The Ottoman Empire, 1300–1566.

(f) The Ottoman Empire, 1566–1807.

(g) The Ottoman Empire and the Republic of Turkey, 1807–1980.

(h) Any one paper under 7 ii, v–viii, xii, xiv, xviii and xix of the syllabus for Arabic and Islamic Studies.

10. A special subject, to be approved by the Board of the Faculty of Oriental Studies. A dissertation *Refer to special regulations*