

HUMANITIES DIVISIONAL BOARD	
Title of Programme	Master of Philosophy in Oriental Studies – Jewish Studies in the Graeco-Roman Period
Brief note about nature of change:	Amendments to administrative procedures for the degree.
Effective date	<p>For students starting from MT 2015</p> <p>For first examination from 2015-16</p>
Location of change:	<i>Examination Regulations 2014, pages 514-515.</i>
Detail of change:	Please see attached.
Explanatory Notes	<p>These changes reflect some administrative procedural changes and also tidy-up the current regulations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Take-home papers will be released on Weblearn rather than collected from the Faculty Office. Information on where the paper will be released will be included in the setting conventions. 2) Candidates must submit an electronic copy of the dissertation in Word or PDF in a memory stick or CD-Rom. The memory stick and CD-Rom must be included with the hard copies of the dissertations. 3) All options are removed from the examination regulations to the course handbooks. Options will be finalised by the start of Trinity Term in the year preceding the start of the course to ensure that the list of available options is in the course handbooks in good time. 4) The phrase ‘Students are recommended to attend a language course abroad’ (or similar) is being removed from the examination regulations and put included in course handbooks. 5) The dissertation submission date is to be streamlined to three (rather than five) deadlines: noon on Friday of Wk 2, 4 or 6 of Trinity Term. 6) Amending phrasing on viva requirements to ‘Candidates may be required to attend a viva’. 7) Moving certain information (e.g. dissertation submission) to the general regulations rather than under individual degrees so that information is only available at one place.

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A. *Qualifying Examination* Candidates must pass a qualifying examination in Jewish Studies not later than the end of the third term after that in which the candidate's name is first entered on the register of M.Phil. students unless exempted by the Board of the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

B. *Final Examination* Every candidate shall submit a thesis of not more than 30,000 words¹³ and 4 written examinations~~present himself for a written examination~~. The written examinations shall consist of Paper 1 one paper on Jewish literature, history, and institution from 200 BC to AD425 and three further papers ~~to be chosen from Papers 2 to 8~~ from a list published in the course handbook.

- ~~(1) Jewish literature, history, and institutions from 200 bc to ad 425.~~
- ~~(2) Jewish historiography with prescribed texts.~~
- ~~(3) Jewish law with prescribed texts.~~
- ~~(4) Jewish Bible interpretation with prescribed texts.~~
- ~~(5) Jewish eschatology with prescribed texts.~~
- ~~(6) Jewish liturgy with prescribed texts.~~
- ~~(7) Jewish wisdom literature with prescribed texts.~~
- ~~(8) Jewish papyrology and epigraphy with prescribed texts.~~

Notes. 1. Candidates must satisfy the Board of the Faculty of Oriental Studies before admission to the course that they possess the necessary qualifications in the Hebrew language to profit by the course. ~~Those wishing to take options 2 or 8 must show evidence of their knowledge of Greek.~~

2. Papers 2-8 will contain passages for translation and comment as well as general questions relating to the prescribed texts.

3. Texts will be reported to the Faculty Board's second meeting of Michaelmas Full Term in the first year of the course.

[*See general regulations for theses and special regulations for theses in Oriental Studies](#)