

HUMANITIES DIVISIONAL BOARD	
Title of Programme	Master of Studies in Jewish Studies in the Graeco-Roman Period
Brief note about nature of change:	Amendments to administrative procedures for the degree.
Effective date	For students starting from MT 2015 For first examination from 2015-16
Location of change:	<i>Examination Regulations</i> 2014, page 580.
Detail of change:	Please see attached.
Explanatory Notes	<p><i>These changes reflect some administrative procedural changes and also tidy-up the current regulations:</i></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.

Jewish Studies in the Graeco-Roman Period

1. Before admission to the course, candidates must satisfy the Board of the Faculty of Oriental Studies that they possess the necessary qualification in the Hebrew language to profit by the course. Those wishing to take options (e) or (f) must show evidence of their knowledge of Greek.
2. Every candidate must follow for at least three terms a course of study in Jewish Studies in the Graeco-Roman Period.
3. *Syllabus* There will be four Units: [Each unit is examined by a written paper.](#)

Unit (i) Essay questions on Jewish history and institutions from 200 BCE to 135 CE.

Units (ii), (iii) and (iv) Prescribed texts. Select one paper for each unit from the following list:

- (a) Dead Sea scrolls
- (b) Mishnah
- (c) Midrash
- (d) Targum
- (e) Septuagint
- (f) Hellenistic Jewish literature
- (g) Any other subject approved by the Board.

1. Lists of set texts must be submitted to the Faculty office by Friday of ~~seventh week~~[Week 7](#) of Michaelmas Term ~~and will be reported to the Faculty Board's second meeting of Michaelmas Term.~~
2. ~~Every candidate will be examined by oral examination unless he or she shall have been individually excused by the examiners~~[Candidates may be required to attend a viva.](#)

Teaching for some options may not be available in every year. Applicants for admission will be advised of this.