

Humanities Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of 17 September 2019

Title of Programme

Master of Philosophy in Oriental Studies

Brief note about nature of change: Addition of language option

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2018* (<http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2018-19/mopinoriestud/>)

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2019

For first examination from 2020-21

Detail of change

New text underlined:

^{1.74} (iii) **Modern Middle Eastern Studies**

^{1.75} A. *Qualifying Examination*

^{1.76} Every candidate must pass a qualifying examination not later than the end of the second term of the first year. A candidate with an intermediate level of proficiency (the equivalent of 2-3 years of study) in Arabic, Persian or Turkish may offer respectively Advanced Arabic, Advanced Persian or Advanced Turkish. A candidate with native fluency or who has satisfied the examiners in the Second Public Examination in Arabic or Persian or Turkish or Hebrew, or has passed a similar examination in another university, must offer a different language for examination. The examination will consist of two papers:

^{1.77} (i) A language examination in Arabic or Intermediate Arabic or Advanced Arabic or Hebrew or

Persian or Advanced Persian or Turkish or Advanced Turkish, (subject to the availability of teaching), based on grammar knowledge and reading comprehension.

^{1.78}(ii) A general methodological paper on the Middle East in the twentieth century.

Explanatory Notes

Intermediate Arabic has been added as an option in the Qualifying Examination.