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Changes in the regulations governing the Master of Studies in Greek and/or Latin Languages and Literature, Master of Philosophy in Greek and/or Latin Languages and Literature, Master of Studies in Greek and/or Roman History, and Master of Philosophy in Greek and/or Roman History: communication from the Board of the Faculty of Classics

Brief description of the change: Detailed text prescriptions to be removed from the Examination Regulations and instead published in course handbooks.

With effect from 1 October 2014

(1) Master of Philosophy in Greek and/or Latin Languages and Literature

1 In Examination Regulations 2013, p. 543, ll.32-39, delete: ‘6. Intermediate Greek. Candidates...[ed. Diggle, OCT].’ and substitute: ‘6. Intermediate Greek. There will be one two-hour paper comprising unseen translation and grammatical questions on prescribed texts and one three-hour paper requiring translation from prescribed texts. A detailed specification and prescribed texts for the paper will be published in the MSt/MPhil course handbook not later than Monday of Week 0 of the Michaelmas Term preceding the examination.’

2 In Examination Regulations 2013, p. 543, ll.42-50, delete: ‘6. Intermediate Latin Candidates...[ed. A. S. Hollis, OUP 1970].’ and substitute: ‘6. Intermediate Latin. There will be one two-hour paper comprising unseen translation and grammatical questions on prescribed texts and one three-hour paper requiring translation from prescribed texts. A detailed specification and prescribed texts for the paper will be published in the MSt/MPhil course handbook not later than Monday of Week 0 of the Michaelmas Term preceding the examination.’

(2) Master of Studies in Greek and/or Latin Languages and Literature

1 In Examination Regulations 2013, p. 635, l.46 – p. 636, l.6, delete: ‘(b) Intermediate Greek. Candidates...[ed. Diggle, OCT].’ and substitute: ‘(b) Intermediate Greek. There will be one two-hour paper comprising unseen translation and grammatical questions on prescribed texts and one three-hour paper requiring translation from prescribed texts. A detailed specification and prescribed texts for the paper will be published in the MSt/MPhil course handbook not later than Monday of Week 0 of the Michaelmas Term preceding the examination.’
2 In Examination Regulations 2013, p. 636, ll.13-22, delete:
and substitute:
‘(b) Intermediate Latin. There will be one two-hour paper comprising unseen translation and grammatical questions on prescribed texts and one three-hour paper requiring translation from prescribed texts. A detailed specification and prescribed texts for the paper will be published in the MSt/MPhil course handbook not later than Monday of Week 0 of the Michaelmas Term preceding the examination.’

(3) Master of Studies in Greek and/or Roman History
(4) Master of Philosophy in Greek and/or Roman History

1 In Examination Regulations 2013, p. 640, ll.14-20, delete:
‘(ii) Intermediate Greek. There will be one three-hour paper...(ed. Pelling, Cambridge University Press 1988).’
and substitute:
‘(ii) Intermediate Greek. There will be one three-hour paper comprising passages for translation from prescribed texts and a passage for unseen translation. A detailed specification and prescribed texts for the paper will be published in the MSt/MPhil course handbook not later than Monday of Week 0 of the Michaelmas Term preceding the examination.’

2 In Examination Regulations 2013, p. 640, ll.26-33, delete:
‘(ii) Intermediate Latin. There will be one three-hour paper...Cambridge University Press 1973).’
and substitute:
‘(ii) Intermediate Latin. There will be one three-hour paper comprising passages for translation from prescribed texts and a passage for unseen translation. A detailed specification and prescribed texts for the paper will be published in the MSt/MPhil course handbook not later than Monday of Week 0 of the Michaelmas Term preceding the examination.’

Explanatory notes

(i) In accordance with University guidance that regulations should be “the immutable framework of study and assessment”, the Faculty has decided to remove details of text prescriptions for the language papers from the Examination Regulations. This will allow the Faculty greater flexibility to revise prescriptions from one year to the next.

(ii) There are no vested interests.

(iii) There are no resource implications.