

Humanities Divisional Board

Approved by officers on behalf of Education Committee on 11 March 2019

Honour School of Mathematics and Philosophy

Brief note about nature of change: Introduction of new papers in ancient philosophy in Greek/Latin and in translation.

Location of change

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

Effective date

MT19 for students in either part B or part C of Mathematics and Philosophy (for first examination TT20).

Detail of change

New text underlined; deletions struck-through:

Part B

^{3.1}The examination for Part B shall consist of units in Mathematics and subjects in Philosophy. The schedule of units in *Mathematics* shall be published on the Mathematical Institute website by the beginning of the Michaelmas Full Term in the academic year of the examination concerned, after consultation with the Mathematics Teaching Committee. The schedule shall be in two parts: Schedule 1 (standard units) and Schedule 2 (additional units). A candidate may, with the support of his or her Mathematics tutor, apply to the Chair of the Joint Committee for Mathematics and Philosophy for approval of one or more other options from the list of Mathematics Department units for Part B which can be found on the Mathematical Institute website. Applications for special approval must be made through the candidate's college and sent to the Chair of the Joint Committee for Mathematics and Philosophy, c/o Academic Administrator, Mathematical Institute, to arrive by

Friday of Week 5 of Michaelmas Term in the academic year of the examination for Part B. In Philosophy the subjects shall be subjects ~~101-116, 120, 122, 124, 125, 127-129, 198, and 199~~ from the list given in *Special Regulations for All Honour Schools Including Philosophy*. Each candidate shall offer:

3.2(i) Four units of *Mathematics* from Schedule 1, two of which shall be B1.1 *Logic* and B.1.2 *Set Theory*.

3.3(ii) Three subjects in *Philosophy* from 101-116, 120, 122, 124, 125, 127-129, 137-139, and 198 of which two must be 122 and **either** 101 **or** 102, and

3.4(iii) **Either** two further units in *Mathematics* drawn from Schedule 1 and 2 combined **or** one further subject in *Philosophy* from subjects 101-116, 120, 124, 125, 127-129, 137-139, 198, and 199: *Thesis*.

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Part C

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4.9 No unit in Mathematics, and no subject in Philosophy, may be offered in both Part B and Part C, except in the case of subject 199 (Philosophy Thesis). A unit in Philosophy consists of one of the following:

4.10(a) One of the subjects 101-116, 120, 124, 125, 127-129, and 137-139 as specified in the Regulations for Philosophy in all Honour Schools including Philosophy. For Part C, these subjects shall be examined by a three hour written paper together with a Part C Philosophy Essay of at most 5,000 words, as specified below.

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Part C Philosophy Essays

4.18 For units in Philosophy specified under (a) above, the relative weight of the essay to the three-hour exam shall be 1 to 3, i.e. the essay shall count for 25% of the mark in that subject. No essay shall exceed this word limit, which includes all notes and appendices, but not the bibliography. The word count should be indicated on the front of the essay. There shall be a select bibliography or a list of sources. All essays must be typed in double spacing on one side of quarto or A4 paper, with footnotes rather than endnotes. Candidates should avoid any substantial repetition of material between examination scripts and examination essays. The topic for a Philosophy examination essay in a given subject can be any question set for the most recent examination of that subject in Honour

Schools with Philosophy, with the exception of questions ~~for Plato Republic (115) and Aristotle Nicomachean Ethics (116)~~ for papers in ancient philosophy consisting of multiple passages for comment, and the questions for Philosophical Logic (127) consisting of formal exercises. Candidates may apply for approval of other essay topics by writing to the Chair of the Board, c/o the Administrator, Philosophy Centre, Radcliffe Humanities Building, Woodstock Road, giving the title he or she proposes, together with an explanation of the subject in about 100 words and enclosing a letter from their tutor attesting to the suitability of this topic for the candidate. Any such application must be received no later than Friday of the sixth week of the Hilary Term preceding the Part C examination for which the essay is to be submitted. Late applications will not be considered. Any such application shall be accepted or rejected by the Board within two weeks of its being received.

Explanatory Notes

This change introduces new ancient philosophy papers into the school.