Brief note about nature of change: Revision to format of Ancient History period papers in Literae Humaniores and associated joint schools

Effective date
For students starting from MT 2016. For first examination in TT 2019.

Location of change
In Examination Regulations 2015, p. 261, l. 25; p. 261, ll. 41-2; p. 262, ll. 8-11
Online version (2015): citation numbers 1.6, 1.47 and 1.52

Detail of change
See extracts from online Examination Regulations below.

Explanatory Notes
The format of the two papers taken by candidates offering the period subjects (401-6) as text-based is being revised. The current format comprises a 3 hour essays/gobbets paper plus a 1.5 hour translation paper. The new format will comprise a 3 hour essay paper plus a 1.5 hour translation/gobbets paper.
Candidates must offer eight subjects, (and any associated papers of translation), which may include: up to five subjects in Greek and Roman History; up to five subjects in Philosophy; up to five subjects in Greek and Latin Literature; up to two subjects (or up to three, if one is a thesis [699]) in Greek and Roman Archaeology; up to two subjects (or up to three, if one is a thesis [598]) in Philology and Linguistics; two subjects in Second Classical Language; except that (i) candidates in Course I may not offer Second Classical Language and (ii) candidates in Course II who offer Second Classical Language may not offer more than four subjects in any one of Greek and Roman History, Philosophy, and Greek and Latin Literature. The combinations of subjects permitted are set out in I–VI below. Candidates may offer a thesis as one of their subjects, with the proviso that those offering a thesis in Philosophy must offer at least three other subjects in Philosophy. No candidate may offer more than one thesis, except that a Special Thesis may be offered in addition to one other thesis.

In the assignment of honours all eight subjects offered by a candidate shall count equally. In assessing a candidate's performance in a subject, the examiners shall have regard to performance in any associated translation papers.

For all of the period subjects which they offer under A as text-based (401–6), candidates will be required to sit a three-hour essay paper and an associated paper (one-and-a-half hours) comprising passages for translation and comment from the prescribed texts. For any of the period subjects which they offer as non-text-based (421–6), candidates will be required to sit one three-hour paper comprising essays and passages for comment from the prescribed texts. Each of subjects 407-414 will be examined in one three-hour paper.