MPLS Divisional Board

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Title of Programme
Honour School of Mathematics and Philosophy

Brief note about nature of change: clarifying the description of Part B unit options that students can select from to include Statistics and Computer Sciences, for consistency with the handbook and information provided on the MI website. Part B and C options request the deadline be moved forward by a week.

Location of change
In Examination Regulations 2019/20 https://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/examregs/2019-20/hsomathandphil/administratorview/

Effective date
For students starting FHS Part B from MT20 and For first examination from 2020-21

Detail of change

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 of units and double units in
Mathematics, along with synopses and other details, will be approved by the Mathematics Teaching Committee and published on the Mathematical Institute website page ‘Registration for Part B Mathematics and Philosophy Courses’ by the beginning of Michaelmas Full Term in the academic year of the examination concerned. 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 not in these Schedules, but from the list of Mathematics Department Courses units for Part B, including Statistics and Computer Science options, which can be found on the Mathematical Institute website page ‘Registration Part B Mathematics Courses’. 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 54 of Michaelmas Term in the academic year of the examination for Part B.

In Philosophy the subjects shall be subjects 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 B1.2 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.

Schedule of Units in Mathematics for Part B

The list of units and double units along with synopses and other details, will be approved by the Mathematics Teaching Committee and published on the Mathematical Institute website by the beginning of Michaelmas Full Term in the academic year of the examination concerned.

Part C

In Part C each candidate shall offer one of the following:

4.2(i) A minimum of eight units and a maximum of ten units in Mathematics;

4.3(ii) A minimum of six units and a maximum of seven units in Mathematics and one unit in Philosophy;

from the lists for Mathematics and for Philosophy.

4.4(iii) A minimum of three units and a maximum of four units in Mathematics and two units in Philosophy;

4.5(iv) Three units in Philosophy;

from the lists for Mathematics and for Philosophy.
4.7 The schedule of units and double units in Mathematics, along with synopses and other details, will be approved by the Mathematics Teaching Committee and shall be published on the Mathematical Institute website page ‘Registration for Part C Mathematics and Philosophy Courses’ by the beginning of the Michaelmas Full Term in the academic year of the examination concerned. The list of units for Part C shall include units in Mathematical Logic as specified by the Joint Committee for Mathematics and Philosophy.

4.8 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 not in these Schedules, but from the list of Mathematics Department Courses units for Part C, including Statistics, Computer Science and Other Options, which can be found on the Mathematical Institute website page ‘Registration Part C Mathematics Courses’. 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 54 of Michaelmas Term in the academic year of the examination for Part C.

Explanatory Notes

Statistics and Computer Science options are already offered to students in line with the information provided in the handbook and on the MI website. The update to the Regulations is to align the information between the documents. Options submissions deadline was moved to Week 4 MT to allow the committee to formally review all applications.