

Humanities Divisional Board

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Philosophy in all Honour Schools Including 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/piahsinclphil/>)

Effective date

For first examination in 2019-20, ie for students starting in

- MT18 for Philosophy, Politics and Economics, or Philosophy and Theology
- TT18 for Literae Humaniores, or Psychology, Philosophy and Linguistics
- MT17 for Philosophy and Modern Languages
- MT19 for students in either part B or part C of Physics and Philosophy, or Mathematics and Philosophy, or Computer Science and Philosophy.

Detail of change

New text underlined, deletions struck-through:

^{1.73}131. Plato, ~~on~~ Knowledge, Language & Reality in the *Theaetetus* and *Sophist* (in Greek).

^{1.74}Candidates will be expected to have read both dialogues in Greek (Duke *et al.*, Oxford Classical Text). There will be a compulsory question containing passages for translation and comment.

^{1.75}132. Aristotle, *Nicomachean Ethics*

^{1.76}Candidates will be expected to have read books I–III, VI–VII, X in Greek (Bywater, Oxford Classical

Text), and books IV–V, VIII–IX in translation (Irwin, Hackett second edition). There will be a compulsory question containing passages for translation and comment from the books read in Greek; any passages for comment from the remaining books will be accompanied by a translation.

~~1.77~~133. Aristotle, *Physics on Nature, Life and Mind* (in Greek).

~~1.78~~Candidates will be expected to have read books I–IV and VIII in Greek (Ross, Oxford Classical Texts), and books V–VII in translation (in Barnes, ed., *The Complete Works of Aristotle: The Revised Oxford Translation* (Princeton), vol. 1). There will be a compulsory question containing passages for translation and comment from the books read in Greek; any passages for comment from the remaining books will be accompanied by a translation.

Candidates will be expected to have read Aristotle: (1) *Physics*, books II, III and IV in Greek (Ross, Oxford Classical Texts); (2) *Parts of Animals I*, in translation (Lennox, Clarendon commentary series), and (3) *De Anima*, I.1, II. 1-7, 9-12, III.1-5 in Greek (Ross, Oxford Classical Texts). Candidates must attempt two essay questions, and one compulsory question containing passages for translation and comment. Passages for translation will come only from *Physics* II, III, IV and *De Anima* I.1, II. 1-7, 9-12, III.1-5. Passages for commentary can also come from *Parts of Animals I*, in which case they will be accompanied by a translation.

~~1.79~~134. Sextus Empiricus: *Outlines of Pyrrhonism* (Bury, Loeb) *Knowledge and Scepticism in Hellenistic Philosophy* (in Greek).

~~1.80~~There will be a compulsory question containing passages for translation and comment.

Candidates will be expected to have read: (1) in Greek, Sextus Empiricus, *Outlines of Pyrrhonism*, I.1-39 and 164-241, II.1-204, III.1-81 and 168-281 (Bury, Loeb); (2) in translation, Cicero, *Academic Books* (Brittain, Hackett); (3) selections from *The Hellenistic Philosophers* (Long and Sedley, CUP), sections 1-3 (Pyrrho), 15-19 (Epicureans), 39-42 (Stoics), 68-70 (Academics) and 71-72 (Aenesidemus). Candidates must attempt three questions, of which one shall be a compulsory question requiring two translations from Sextus Empiricus, and three commentaries. The passages for commentary may come from any of the set texts: candidates must attempt at least one commentary on a passage from Cicero or from Long and Sedley.

~~1.81~~135. *Latin Philosophy*

~~1.82~~Cicero: *De Finibus* III (Reynolds, Oxford Classical Text), *De Officiis* I in translation (Griffin and Atkins, *Cicero, On Duties*, Cambridge); Seneca, *Epistulae Morales* 92, 95, 121, *De Constantia*, *De Vita*

Beata (Reynolds, Oxford Classical Text).

1.83 There will be a compulsory question containing passages for translation and comment from the texts read in Latin; any passages for comment from Cicero, *De Officiis* I will be accompanied by a translation.

136. Knowledge and Scepticism in Hellenistic Philosophy (in Latin)

"Candidates will be expected to have read: (1) in translation, Sextus Empiricus, *Outlines of Pyrrhonism*, I.1-39 and 164-241, II.1-204, III.1-81 and 168-281 (Annas and Barnes, CUP); (2) in Latin, Cicero, *Academic Books* (Rackham, Loeb); (3) *The Hellenistic Philosophers* (Long and Sedley, CUP), sections 1-3 (Pyrrho), 15-19 (Epicureans), 39-42 (Stoics), 68-70 (Academics) and 71-72 (Aenesidemus). Candidates must attempt three questions, of which one shall be a compulsory question requiring two translations from Cicero, and three commentaries. The passages for commentary may come from any of the set texts: candidates must attempt at least one commentary on a passage from Sextus Empiricus or from Long and Sedley.

137. Plato on Knowledge, Language, & Reality in the *Theaetetus* & *Sophist* (in translation)

Candidates will be expected to have read in translation both the *Theaetetus* (Levett revised Burnyeat, Hackett) and the *Sophist* (White, Hackett). (Candidates may alternatively read from Cooper J. (ed.), *Plato: Complete Works*, Hackett 1977.) Candidates must attempt two essay questions, and one compulsory question containing passages for comment.

138. Aristotle on Nature, Life and Mind (in translation)

Candidates will be expected to have read Aristotle: (1) *Physics*, books II, III and IV in translation (Clarendon commentary series: Charlton for II, Hussey for III and IV); (2) *Parts of Animals* I, in translation (Lennox, Clarendon commentary series), and (3) *De Anima*, I.1, II. 1-7, 9-12, III.1-5 in translation (Shields, Clarendon commentary series). Candidates must attempt three questions, of which one shall be a compulsory question containing passages for comment, which may be taken from any of the set texts.

139. Knowledge and Scepticism in Hellenistic Philosophy (in translation)

Candidates will be expected to have read: (1) in translation, Sextus Empiricus, *Outlines of Pyrrhonism*, I.1-39 and 164-241, II.1-204, III.1-81 and 168-281 (Annas and Barnes, CUP); (2) in translation, Cicero, *Academic Books* (Brittain, Hackett); (3) *The Hellenistic Philosophers* (Long and Sedley, CUP), sections 1-3 (Pyrrho), 15-19 (Epicureans), 39-42 (Stoics), 68-70 (Academics) and 71-72

(Aenesidemus). Candidates must attempt three questions, of which one shall be a compulsory question requiring four commentaries. The passages for commentary may come from any of the set texts: candidates must attempt at least one commentary on a passage from Sextus Empiricus and one from Cicero."

1.84 150. *Jurisprudence*

1.85 As specified in the regulations for the Honour School of Jurisprudence. This subject may be offered only by candidates in PPE, and cannot be combined with either subject 114 or subject 203. Tutorial provision will be subject to the availability of Law tutors and will normally take place in either Hilary or Trinity Term.

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Regulations for Particular Honour Schools

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1.120 *Literae Humaniores*

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1.123 (ii) candidates offering at least two Philosophy subjects must select at least one subject in ancient philosophy, i.e., one of 115, 116, and 130 to 139. ~~130, 131, 132, 133, 134, and 135. Those offering three or more subjects must also select one subject from 101, 102, 103, and 108.~~

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~~1.127 The text-based subjects in Philosophy are 130 (Greek), 131 (Greek), 132 (Greek), 133 (Greek), 134 (Greek), 135 (Latin).~~

1.128 Candidates may also offer a Special Thesis, which may be in Philosophy, in accordance with the regulations under Honour School of Literae Humaniores.

Explanatory Notes

This change completes an introduction of new papers in ancient philosophy which has already been agreed to, but which has been incompletely implemented. The new papers were approved by the Standing Committee for Mods and Greats at its meeting on 3 November 2016, and subsequently appeared in the regulations for FHS Literae Humaniores (and the Classics joint schools), but not in the "Philosophy all schools" regulations, which sets out syllabuses for FHS papers: this means the content of the new

papers is, as such, undefined. The present change will define the syllabus of the new papers.

Additionally to this, standing joint committees for the Philosophy joint degrees other than Literae Humaniores variously agreed to include the new papers (in their translation versions) for their students.

The regulations for PPL and PML will not need altering, as they can absorb new papers without changes. However, the other Philosophy joint schools are set up so as to require explicit introduction of new papers.

Changes published concurrently will make the papers available in the other joint schools, whose students hitherto could not study any of these options. So the changes, though happening on-course, are entirely permissive. The other Lit Hum-specific deletion (re 101, 102, 103, 108) is unrelated but makes consistent a prior change between the FHS Lit Hum regs and the FHS Philosophy regs about core papers in Philosophy in Lit Hum.