

MPLS Divisional Board

Approved at the meeting of the Undergraduate Supervisory Committee on 15 February 2024. Further approved by the Computer Science Faculty Committee on 22 February 2024.

Title of Programme

Honour School of Computer Science

Brief note about nature of change:

1. Clarification that papers can only be offered for one of Part A, Part B or Part C
2. Confirmation of the number of courses which can be taken from Schedule B2.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2022/23*

<https://examregs.admin.ox.ac.uk/Regulation?code=hsofcompscic>

Effective date

For students starting degree in MT22, FHS Part A in MT23, and FHS Part B in MT24

For first examination from 2024-25

Detail of change

Amend 1.29-1.30 as follows:

^{1.29}Each candidate shall either carry out a project on a topic in Computer Science approved by the Teaching Committee of the Department of Computer Science or offer two additional option subjects, eight in total (with no more than two from Schedule B2). Each project will be supervised by a member of the Faculty of Computer Science, the Faculty of Mathematics or the Faculty of Engineering Science, or by some other person of equivalent seniority approved by the Teaching Committee. The report of the project shall be submitted as specified in the Course Handbook by noon on Monday of the fourth week of the Trinity Term in which Part B of the examination is held. The report must not exceed 5,000 words plus forty pages of additional material (e.g. diagrams, program text). In retaking Part B of

the examination, a project previously submitted for Part B may be resubmitted. No project may be resubmitted if it has already been submitted, wholly or substantially, for another honour school or degree of the University, or of any other institution, or for any other Part of the examination.

Part C

^{1.30}In Part C of the examination, each candidate shall be required to offer five option subjects from Schedule C1 on the website of the Department of Computer Science, subject to the condition that no candidate shall offer any subject that they have already offered in Part A or Part B of the examination. Each option subject shall be examined as stated in the Course Handbook.

Explanatory Notes

In July 2021 changes were made to make it clear that students could not offer an option twice for different Parts. Unfortunately, due to an oversight it was not made explicit that this also included a prohibition on taking for Part C an option paper that had already been taken for Part A.

We would also like to confirm that students who are not submitting a project in Part B may only take two courses from Schedule B2. Both of these changes are aligned with current practice and advertising.