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Humanities Divisional Board

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Honour School of Modern Languages

Brief note about nature of change: changes to mode of assessment.

Effective date

For students starting the degree in MT 2019; for first examination in TT 2023.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* 2020-21: citation numbers 1.93. 1.94 (insert new section after) and 1.419.

- ^{1.90}In the oral examination a candidate will be required to show in each language they offer competence in the following:
 - ^{1.91}(i) A short discourse
 - 1.92(ii) Conversation.
 - 1.93 Candidates in Russian, and Czech and Portuguese are required to show competence in
 - 1.94(iii) Listening comprehension

[Insert new section after 1.94:]

The mode of assessment of each paper and detailed examination arrangements will be as set out in the Course Handbook. Papers I, II, III, IV and V will normally be examined by a three-hour unseen written paper; papers VI, VII, VIII, IX, X and XI will normally be examined by an unseen written paper taken over an eight-hour period; and papers XII, XIII and XIV will be examined as outlined below.

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1.415 XII. Special Subjects.

- 1.4161. A candidate may offer one or two (depending on the regulations outlined above) of the Special Subjects from the list circulated in the Trinity Term one year before the examination. The list of options available in that year will be publicised on the Faculty's internal website (and circulated to all students and tutors by e-mail) by the beginning of fifth week of Trinity Term.
 1.417 Methods of assessment:
- ^{1.418}The method of assessment for each subject will be published with the list of options by the beginning of the fifth week of the Trinity Term one year before the examination, according to the following key:
 - ^{1.419}A: Three-hour An unseen written paper completed within an eight-hour timeframe.

 ^{1.420}B: An essay or portfolio of essays (the number of essays required to be shown in
 - parentheses) aggregating to about 6,000 words and not exceeding 8,000 words, to be submitted electronically using the University approved online assessment platform by noon on the Monday of the tenth week of Hilary Term in the year of the examination.

 1.421C: An essay or portfolio of essays (the number of essays required to be shown in parentheses) aggregating to about 6,000 words and not exceeding 8,000, written as
 - parentheses) aggregating to about 6,000 words and not exceeding 8,000, written as answers to an examination paper to be downloaded from the Faculty website after 10am on the Friday of the fifth week of the Hilary Term next before the examination. Completed essay(s) should be submitted electronically using the University approved online assessment platform by noon on the Monday of tenth week of Hilary Term in the year of the examination.

Explanatory Notes

These changes embed diversification of assessment methods in the course structure.