

Humanities Divisional Board

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Honour School of Philosophy and Theology

Brief note about nature of change:

Removal of list of optional papers from Exam Regulations, as well as regulations relating specifically to those papers.

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2021* as amended by the Gazette of 27 June 2019

<https://examregs.admin.ox.ac.uk/Regulation?code=hsophilandtheo&srchYear=2022&srchTerm=1&year=2021&term=1>

Effective date

For students starting the Honour School from MT 2023. For first examination from 2024-25

Detail of change

^[1.9] Candidates are required to offer eight papers. Three papers must be in Philosophy and three in Theology; the other two may be in either Philosophy or Theology. A candidate may offer a Philosophy thesis, or a Theology thesis, but may not offer both. ~~Candidates may not take more than four papers from 103 Ethics; 116 Aristotle, Nicomachean Ethics; 128 Practical Ethics; (2202) Ethics I: Christian Moral Reasoning, or (3204) Ethics II: Religious Ethics. Paper 110 Medieval Philosophy — Aquinas may not be taken with (3211) Further Studies in a Special Theologian — Aquinas.~~

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^[1.15] Candidates may choose up to two further papers from those specified in Regulations for Philosophy in all Honour Schools including Philosophy, subject to the restrictions detailed in those regulations.: 101 *Early Modern Philosophy*; 102

Knowledge and Reality; 103 *Ethics*; 104 *Philosophy of Mind*; 106 *Philosophy of Science and Social Science*; 108 *The Philosophy of Logic and Language*; 109 *Aesthetics and the Philosophy of Criticism*; 110 *Medieval Philosophy—Aquinas*; 111 *Medieval Philosophy—Duns Scotus and Ockham*; 112 *The Philosophy of Kant*; 113 *Post-Kantian Philosophy*; 114 *Theory of Politics*; 115 *Plato, Republic*; 116 *Aristotle, Nicomachean Ethics*; 120 *Intermediate Philosophy of Physics*; 122 *Philosophy of Mathematics*; 124 *Philosophy of Science*; 125 *Philosophy of Cognitive Science*; 127 *Philosophical Logic*; 128 *Practical Ethics*; 129 *The Philosophy of Wittgenstein*; 137 *Plato on Knowledge, Language & Reality in the Theaetetus & Sophist (in translation)*; 138 *Aristotle on Nature, Life and Mind (in translation)*; 139 *Knowledge and Scepticism in Hellenistic Philosophy (in translation)*; 198 *Special Subject in Philosophy*; 199 *Philosophy thesis*.

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^{1.17}Individual paper requirements can be found under *Special Regulations for the Honour School of Theology and Religion, Schedule of Papers*. Each year the Faculty of Theology and Religion will publish a list of available papers and specify the assessment mode for each as well as any restrictions pertaining to individual papers.

^{1.18}Candidates must offer two papers from:

- ^{1.19}Paper (2101) *The Narrative World of the Hebrew Bible*;
- ^{1.20}Paper (2102) *The Poetic World of the Hebrew Bible*;
- ^{1.21}Paper (2103) *The Gospels*;
- ^{1.22}Paper (2201) *History of Doctrine*;
- ^{1.23}Paper (2202) *Ethics I: Christian Moral Reasoning*;
- ^{1.24}Paper (2203) *Themes in 19th Century Theology & Religion*;
- ^{1.25}Paper (2204) *Key Themes in Systematic Theology*;
- ^{1.26}Paper (2301) *History and Theology of the Early Church (64-337AD)*;
- ^{1.27}Paper (2302) *Medieval Religions*;
- ^{1.28}Paper (2303) *Early Modern Christianity 1500-1648*;
- ^{1.29}Paper (2304) *Formation of Rabbinic Judaism*;
- ^{1.30}Paper (2305) *Islam in the Classical Period*;
- ^{1.31}Paper (2306) *Foundations of Buddhism*;
- ^{1.32}Paper (2307) *Hinduism: Sources and Formations*;
- ^{1.33}Paper (2401) *Modern Judaism*;
- ^{1.34}Paper (2402) *Islam in Contemporary Society*;
- ^{1.35}Paper (2403) *Buddhism in Space and Time*;
- ^{1.36}Paper (2404) *Modern Hinduism*;
- ^{1.37}Paper (2405) *Science and Religion*.

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^{1.38}Candidates must offer one and may offer a further two papers from

- ^{1.39}Paper (3101) *Hebrew of the Hebrew Bible*;

- ^{1.40}Paper (3102) *Paul and the Pauline Tradition*;
- ^{1.41}Paper (3103) *Biblical Interpretation: Perspectives from the Social Sciences*;
- ^{1.42}Paper (3104) *Gender and Power in Biblical Texts*;
- ^{1.43}Paper (3105) *Worship and Liturgy in the Hebrew Bible*;
- ^{1.44}Paper (3106) *Prophecy and Revelation in the Hebrew Bible and Beyond*;
- ^{1.45}Paper (3107) *Law, Teaching and Wisdom in Biblical Tradition*;
- ^{1.46}Paper (3108) *Early Interpretation of the Hebrew Bible and Ancient Judaism*;
- ^{1.47}Paper (3109) *New Testament Theology*;
- ^{1.48}Paper (3110) *Study of a New Testament Book*;
- ^{1.49}Paper (3111) *The Afterlife of the New Testament*;
- ^{1.50}Paper (3112) *The Old Testament in Early Christianity*;
- ^{1.51}Paper (3201) *Contemporary Theology and Culture*;
- ^{1.52}Paper (3203) *Analytic Philosophy and Christian Theology*;
- ^{1.53}Paper (3204) *Ethics II: Religious Ethics*;
- ^{1.54}Paper (3208) *Origen*;
- ^{1.55}Paper (3209) *Augustine*;
- ^{1.56}Paper (3210) *Anselm*;
- ^{1.57}Paper (3211) *Aquinas*;
- ^{1.58}Paper (3212) *Luther*;
- ^{1.59}Paper (3213) *Calvin*;
- ^{1.60}Paper (3214) *Kierkegaard*;
- ^{1.61}Paper (3215) *Newman*;
- ^{1.62}Paper (3217) *Barth*;
- ^{1.63}Paper (3218) *Tillich*;
- ^{1.64}Paper (3219) *Bonhoeffer*;
- ^{1.65}Paper (3220) *Rahner*;
- ^{1.66}Paper (3221) *Liberation Theology and its legacy*;
- ^{1.67}Paper (3222) *Postliberal Theology*;
- ^{1.68}Paper (3223) *Radical Orthodoxy*;
- ^{1.69}Paper (3224) *Modern Debates concerning the Trinity*;
- ^{1.70}Paper (3225) *Modern Debates concerning Christology*;
- ^{1.71}Paper (3301) *From Nicaea to Chalcedon*;
- ^{1.72}Paper (3302) *Saints and Sanctity in the Age of Bede*;
- ^{1.73}Paper (3303) *Faith, Reason, and Religion from the Enlightenment to the Romantic Age*;
- ^{1.74}Paper (3304) *Eastern Christianities from Constantinople to Baghdad*;
- ^{1.75}Paper (3305) *Further Studies in Judaism*;
- ^{1.76}Paper (3306) *Further Studies in Islam*;
- ^{1.77}Paper (3307) *Further Studies in Buddhism*;
- ^{1.78}Paper (3308) *Further Studies in Hinduism*;
- ^{1.79}Paper (3309) *Studies in the Abrahamic Religions*;
- ^{1.80}Paper (3310) *Varieties of Judaism 100BCE – 100CE*;
- ^{1.81}Paper (3401) *The Nature of Religion*;
- ^{1.82}Paper (3402) *Psychology of Religion*;
- ^{1.83}Paper (3403) *Sociology of Religion*;

- ¹⁻⁸⁴ Paper (3404) *Further Studies in Science and Religion*;
- ¹⁻⁸⁵ Paper (3405) *Mysticism*;
- ¹⁻⁸⁶ Paper (3406) *Feminist Approaches to Theology and Religion*.

¹⁻⁸⁷ Candidates may not offer more than two papers from (3208) *Origen*; (3209) *Augustine*; (3210) *Anselm*; (3211) *Aquinas*; (3212) *Luther*; (3213) *Calvin*; (3214) *Kierkegaard*; (3215) *Newman*; (3217) *Barth*; (3218) *Tillich*; (3219) *Bonhoeffer*; (3220) *Rahner*.

¹⁻⁸⁸ Candidates may not offer more than two papers from (3303) *Faith, Reason and Religion from the Enlightenment to the Romantic Age*; (3305) *Further Studies in Judaism*; (3306) *Further Studies in Islam*; (3307) *Further Studies in Buddhism*; (3308) *Further Studies in Hinduism*; (3404) *Further Studies in Science and Religion*; and (3405) *Mysticism*.

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¹⁻⁹⁰ A thesis may be offered either in Theology (3000) or in Philosophy (199). The regulations governing theses in Philosophy are the same as those specified in *Regulations for Philosophy in all Honour Schools including Philosophy*. The regulations governing theses in Theology are the same as those specified for theses in the *Special Regulations for the Honour School of Theology and Religion*.

¹⁻⁹¹ *Regulations concerning essays*

¹⁻⁹² Candidates who take any of papers (3305) *Further Studies in Judaism*; (3306) *Further Studies in Islam*; (3307) *Further Studies in Buddhism*; (3308) *Further Studies in Hinduism*; or (3404) *Further Studies in Science and Religion* will be required to submit an extended essay not exceeding 10,000 words, inclusive of notes and appendices but excluding bibliography. The regulations governing extended essays are the same as those specified for extended essays in the *Special Regulations for the Honour School of Theology and Religion*.

¹⁻⁹³ Candidates who take papers (3303) *Faith, Reason, and Religion from the Enlightenment to the Romantic Age* or (3405) *Mysticism* will be required to submit two long essays each not exceeding 5,000 words, inclusive of notes and appendices but excluding bibliography. The regulations governing long essays are the same as those specified for long essays in the *Special Regulations for the Honour School of Theology and Religion*.

¹⁻⁹⁴ Candidates who take papers (3109) *New Testament Theology*; (3110) *Study of a New Testament Book*; (3111) *The Afterlife of the New Testament*; (3112) *The Old Testament in Early Christianity*; (3201) *Contemporary Theology and Culture*; or (3406) *Feminist Approaches to Theology and Religion* will be required both to sit a two-hour written examination and to submit an essay for each paper offered. Essays should not exceed 2,500 words, inclusive of notes and appendices but excluding bibliography. The regulations governing essays are the same as

~~these specified for essays in the *Special Regulations for the Honour School of Theology and Religion*.~~

Explanatory Notes

This amendment removes specific papers from Exam Regulations: in future, papers being offered for the course will be listed in the Course Handbook/website. As not all papers previously listed in Exam Regulations were offered every year, it will ensure that students have accurate information about what choices they have, and will be able to know what to expect. The amendments to these Regulations coincide with, and are necessitated by corresponding amendments to Special Regulations for the Honour School of Theology and Religion.