

Humanities Divisional Board

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Title of Programme/ Name of Regulation

Master of Philosophy in Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics

Brief note about nature of change:

Amendment to note published 20/07/2023, previously removed option (Sociolinguistics) to be reinstated

Removal of an optional paper and general tidy up

NB this is in addition to changes for MT23 already published in the HDB(23)11

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations 2022-23*

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

Effective date

For students starting from MT 2023

And

For first examination from 2023/24

Detail of change

^{1.1}1. The examination shall consist of:

(...)

^{1.4}(c) A thesis of not more than 25,000 words ~~on the subject approved in accordance with regulation 4 below and subject to the requirements in clause 5 below.~~

1.5 A.

1.6 Linguistic theory.

1.7 B.

(...)

~~1.45 (viii) Sociolinguistics.~~ (viii) Sociolinguistics.

(...)

1.29 2. Paper A must be taken at the end of the first year of study and it is assessed by a three-hour written examination. Marks will be moderated by the board of examiners for the relevant year, and then be released as final. A candidate who fails paper A taken in the first year will have the option of sitting it again at the end of the second year; the resit shall be subject to the cap on marks for re-examined options (paragraph 8 below). ~~The general paper A and Papers in B, C, D are taken in the second year of study;~~ papers in C and D(i), D(ii) and D(iii)(a) are each assessed by a three-hour written examination. The paper in D(iii)(c) is examined by method (b). The papers in B are assessed by

1.30 *Either:*

1.31 (a) a three-hour written examination

1.32 *Or:*

1.33 (b) An essay of between 5,000 and 7,500 words. Candidates are required to submit the thesis by uploading to the University approved online assessment platform, not later than noon of Friday of Week 5, Trinity term, in the second year of study. ~~(these limits to exclude symbols and diacritics, figures, the bibliography, appendices consisting of a catalogue of data, questionnaire, or other research instrument used to gather data, any extensive text which is specifically the object of a commentary or linguistic analysis, and any translation of that text, but include quotations and footnotes).~~ For all B papers, the essay must be submitted by uploading it to the University approved online assessment platform. They should be word-processed files converted to PDF using the course coversheet as first page of the essay, bearing on the front the candidate's examination number but not their name or the name of their college. The PDF filename should be in this format: 'Candidate Number_Option Name _MPhil in Linguistics'. Candidates must themselves retain a copy of each piece of work. Each submission will require the candidate to make a Declaration of Authorship stating that it is their own work except

where otherwise indicated. Candidates must ensure that they receive the email confirming the submission and that the email is retained for future reference.

1.34 Or:

1.35 (c) A written report of between 5,000 and 7,500 words on the design and execution of an original research project. Candidates are required to submit the thesis by uploading to the University approved online assessment platform, not later than noon of Friday of Week 5, Trinity term, in the second year of study. (these limits exclude symbols and diacritics, figures, the bibliography, appendices consisting of a catalogue of data, questionnaire, or other research instrument used to gather data, any extensive text which is specifically the object of a commentary or linguistic analysis, and any translation of that text, but include quotations and footnotes). The research report must be submitted by uploading it to the University approved online assessment platform. They should be word-processed files converted to PDF using the course coversheet as first page of the essay, bearing on the front the candidate's examination number but not their name or the name of their college. The PDF filename should be in this format: 'Candidate Number_Option Name _MPhil in Linguistics'. Candidates must themselves retain a copy of each piece of work. Each submission will require the candidate to make a Declaration of Authorship stating that it is their own work except where otherwise indicated. Candidates must ensure that they receive the email confirming the submission and that the email is retained for future reference.

1.36 3. Candidates who wish to offer papers listed in C above must select two Indo-European languages or language groups, one of which must be studied in greater depth than the other. All such combinations are subject to the availability of teaching and the approval of the faculty.

1.37 4. The choice of the subjects for the thesis and examination will be subject to the approval of the candidate's supervisor and the faculty, having regard to the candidate's previous experience and to the availability of teaching. Not all options may be offered every year. The subjects which a candidate wishes to offer for examination must be submitted to the faculty for approval not later than Monday of the third week in Michaelmas Term in the academic year in which the candidate is to be examined. The subject of the thesis must be submitted for approval by the faculty not later than Monday of the third week in Michaelmas Term in the academic year in which the candidate is to be examined.

1.38 5. The word limit for the thesis excludes the bibliography, appendices consisting of a catalogue of data, any extensive text which is specifically the object of a commentary or

~~linguistic analysis, and any translation of that text, but includes quotations and footnotes.~~

~~Candidates are required to submit the thesis by uploading to the University approved online assessment platform, not later than noon on the Friday of the first week of the Trinity Term in the second year of study. ~~the academic year in which they are examined.~~~~

~~1-39 6. The examiners may require a successful candidate to deposit one copy of their thesis in the Bodleian Library. Such a candidate will be required to complete a form stating whether they give permission for their thesis to be consulted.~~

Explanatory Notes

The Sociolinguistics option to be removed as there is no-one able to teach it currently and for the next few years.

Deletion of superfluous information.