

PG Cert  
Practical Ethics

TT 2024

**Continuing Education Strategic Management Board/Humanities Division**

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**Title of programme**

Postgraduate Certificate in Practical Ethics

**Brief note about nature of change:** Minor routine updates

**Location of change in Examination Regulations**

<https://examregs.admin.ox.ac.uk/Regulation?code=pcinpratethi&srchYear=2023&srchTerm=1&year=2023&term=1>

**Effective date**

**For students starting from MT2024**

And

**For first examination from 2024-25**

**Detail of change**

**Postgraduate Certificate in Practical Ethics**

1. The Divisional Board Humanities, jointly with the Continuing Education Strategic Management Board, shall elect for the supervision of the course a Standing Committee, which shall have the power to arrange lectures and other instruction.

2. The Postgraduate Certificate is only available to candidates admitted for the MSt in Practical Ethics.

3. The policy of the Continuing Education Board on variable intensity part time study shall apply to this award.

4. The minimum period of registration on the Postgraduate Certificate shall be three terms and the maximum period of registration shall be twelve terms.

5. Where a candidate undertakes a module under 10. below, the date of registration for the award shall retrospectively be deemed to be the first day of the term in which the module was taken.

6. Every candidate shall be required to satisfy the examiners in assignments totalling not more than 3,500 words for each of three modules taken. Modules taken must include the module listed in Schedule A and two modules selected from the list in Schedule B.

7. The assessed work shall be submitted via the online submission system to the examiners for consideration by ~~such date as the examiners shall determine and of which they shall notify candidates.~~ the dates published in the course handbook at the beginning of each academic year.

~~8. Candidates may be required to attend a viva voce examination at the end of the course of studies at the discretion of the examiners.~~

~~9~~8. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in any part of the examination will be permitted to resubmit work in respect of the part or parts of the examination which they have failed on not more than one occasion which shall normally be within one year of the original failure.

~~10~~9. The Standing Committee shall have the discretion to deem satisfactory completion of a module including the associated assessment prior to registration for the Postgraduate Certificate as having met the examination requirements in respect of that module. Such discretion will normally only be exercised if the time elapsed between commencement of the accredited module concerned and registration for the MSt is not more than two years.

~~11~~10. The maximum number of modules taken prior to registration for the Postgraduate Certificate shall be three.

#### Schedule A

1. Ethical Concepts and Methods (Core Introductory Module)

#### Schedule B (Not all modules may be available every year)

2. Ethics of Beginning and End of Life
3. Neuroethics
4. Philosophy, Psychiatry and Mental Health
5. Well-Being, Disability and Enhancement

6. Research Ethics and Empirical Ethics
7. Artificial Intelligence Ethics
8. Data Ethics
9. Climate, Environment and Animals

**Explanatory Notes**