Preliminary Examination in Classics and English

Brief note about nature of change: Alteration to set text prescription for Course II qualifying examination Latin Texts paper

Effective date
For students starting the degree in MT 2021; for first examination in TT 2022.

Location of change
In Examination Regulations 2021-22: citation numbers 1.38-39.
https://examregs.admin.ox.ac.uk/Regulation?code=peiclasandengl&srchYear=2021&srchTerm=1&year=2021&term=1

Detail of change
1.33II. Course II

1.34 Candidates for Course II shall be required:

1.35(a) during their first year of study to have passed an examination under the auspices of the Board of the Faculty of Classics during the Trinity Term. This examination is also available for appropriate candidates intending to offer papers in the Preliminary Examination for Modern Languages in their second year of study. Candidates who fail either or both of papers 1 and 2 may resit the failed paper(s) at a subsequent examination in the Long Vacation following their first year of study.

1.36 1. Greek or Latin texts. Candidates must offer either (a) or (b):

1.37(a) Homer, Iliad 24; Lysias 1 and 3; Euripides, Bacchae 1-63, 180-369, 434-518.
1.38 (b) Virgil, *Aeneid* 6; Seneca, *Epistles* 1, 12, 18, 21, 24, 34, 57, 54, 57, 79, 114 and 122; Catullus 1-16, 31-4.

1.39 For a list of prescribed text editions, see the Classics and English handbook. The paper will comprise passages from these texts for translation and comment.

1.40 2. Greek or Latin Language. The paper will consist of passages for unseen translation out of Greek or Latin and sentences for translation from English into Latin or Greek.

1.41 (b) during their second year of study, to offer papers as for Course I.

**Explanatory Notes**

It has been decided to change the selection of Seneca letters studied, following the recent publication of a new edition. Due to an oversight, the revised text prescription was published in the course handbook but not altered in the Examination Regulations before the start of the academic year. The faculty has obtained confirmation in writing from the affected students that they are aware of and content with this change.