

Changes in Examination Regulations to the University Gazette – Social Sciences Division

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Social Sciences Board

Approved by Officer's Action on behalf of the Divisional Quality Assurance Committee on 22 August 2022

Title of Programme

Preliminary Examination in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

Brief note about nature of change:

Removal of examination length and binary gender references from regulation.

Effective date

Michaelmas 2022

Location of change

In *Examination Regulations* (academic year):

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

Details of Change:

Amend 1.6 and 1.8 citations as follows:

1.6³. A candidate shall be deemed to have passed the examination if ~~he or she shall~~ **they** have satisfied the Moderators in three subjects.

1.8³ Three ~~three-hour~~ papers will be set as follows.

Strike citation 1.21, amend, and renumber as follows:

~~1.21~~

1.22 **(now 1.21)** Questions will be set on the following topics: (i) the nature and the grounds of rights; (ii) the nature and grounds of democracy; (iii) the role of civil society; (iv) power in the democratic state; (v) the nature and grounds of liberty; (vi) state paternalism; and (vii) free speech. Questions will also be set on the following texts: (i) John Locke, *Second Treatise on Government*; (ii) Jean-Jacques Rousseau, *Social Contract*; (iii) Alexis de Toqueville, *Democracy in America*; (iv) Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, *The Communist Manifesto*; (v) John Stuart Mill, *On Liberty*.

Start citation 1.23 (b) *The Practice of Politics*

1.23 (now 1.24) Questions will be set on the following topics: (i) regime types; definition and measurement of variations between types of democracy; (ii) political institutions and practice outside the advanced industrial democracies; stability, state capacity and state formation; (iii) the state and its institutions (executives, legislatures, parties and party systems, electoral systems, courts, constitutions and centre-periphery relations); (iv) parties and party systems; political values and identity politics.

Explanatory Notes

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Minor formatting change.