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## REGULATIONS FOR EXAMINATIONS

The following Notices contain amendments to course regulations approved by the General Board. Publication of some of these Notices was delayed to enable subsequent changes to be incorporated and due to a lack of available resource in the *Reporter* office. The *Statutes and Ordinances* references provided are to the 2024 edition, the version available at the time of drafting.

### Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 272)

#### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of English, has approved amendments to the scheme of examination for the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The full course regulations, incorporating all approved changes in effect at 1 October 2025, are published below.

#### ANGLO-SAXON, NORSE, AND CELTIC TRIPOS

1. The Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos shall consist of two Parts. A separate class-list shall be published for each Part.
2. The following may present themselves as candidates for honours in Part I:
  - (a) a student who has not obtained honours in an Honours Examination provided that they have kept one term and that six complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence;
  - (b) a student who has obtained honours in an Honours Examination, in the year after or next but one after so obtaining honours, provided that twelve complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence.
3. The following may present themselves as candidates for honours in Part II:
  - (a) a student who has obtained honours in Part I of the Anglo Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos in the year after so obtaining honours, provided that twelve complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence;<sup>[1]</sup>
  - (b) a student who has obtained honours in another Honours Examination in the year next after or next but one after so obtaining honours, provided that twelve complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence;
  - (c) an Affiliated Student as allowed by the Faculty Board of English in accordance with the regulations for Affiliated Students.
4. No student shall be a candidate for both Parts, or for either Part and also for another Honours Examination, in the same term.
5. No student who has been a candidate for either Part shall again be a candidate for the same Part.
6. The Faculty Board of English may from time to time make supplementary regulations defining all or any of the subjects set out in the following regulations, and may modify, alter, or withdraw such supplementary regulations as they think fit, due care being taken that sufficient notice is given of any change.
7. The Faculty Board of English shall give notice before the end of the Easter Term in every academic year of the variable subjects for the examinations to be held in the academic year next but one following; provided that the Board shall have the power of subsequently issuing amendments if they have due reason for doing so and if they are satisfied that no student's preparation for the examination is adversely affected.
8. The Faculty Board of English shall nominate such number of Examiners as they may deem sufficient for each Part of the Tripos, and shall have the power to nominate Assessors for any papers.
9. The questions proposed by each Examiner and Assessor shall be submitted for approval to the whole body of Examiners.
10. The answers to each question shall be read by at least two Examiners or Assessors.
11. In the class-list for each Part of the Tripos, the names of the candidates who obtain honours shall be arranged in three classes, of which the second shall be divided into two divisions. The names in the first and third classes and in each division of the second class shall be arranged in alphabetical order. A mark of distinction shall be affixed to the names of those candidates placed in the first class whose work either in a part or in the whole of the examination is of special merit.

**12.** The papers in Part I shall be as follows:

- Paper 1. England before the Norman Conquest.
- Paper 2. Scandinavian history in the Viking Age.<sup>[2]</sup>
- Paper 3. The Brittonic-speaking peoples from the fourth century to the twelfth.
- Paper 4. The Gaelic-speaking peoples from the fourth century to the twelfth.
- Paper 5. Old English language and literature (also serves as Paper 8A of Part IB and Paper 25 of Part II of the English Tripos).<sup>[2]</sup>
- Paper 6. Old Norse language and literature (also serves as Paper 8B of Part IB and Paper 26A of Part II of the English Tripos).<sup>[2]</sup>
- Paper 7. Medieval Welsh language and literature (also serves as Paper 8C of Part IB and Paper 27A of Part II of the English Tripos).<sup>[2]</sup>
- Paper 8. Medieval Irish language and literature (also serves Paper 8D of Part IB and as Paper 28A of Part II of the English Tripos).<sup>[2]</sup>
- Paper 9. Insular Latin language and literature (also serves as Paper 8E of Part IB and Paper 29 of Part II of the English Tripos).
- Paper 10. Palaeography and codicology.
- Paper 11. English literature and its contexts, 1066–1350 (also serves as Paper 3 of Part IB and Paper 20 of Part II of the English Tripos).
- Paper 12. Love, violence, and power in France, 1100–1500 (Paper Fr. 3 of the Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos).
- Paper 13. The history and culture of Early Rus (Paper Sl. 2. of the Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos).<sup>[3]</sup>
- Paper 14. The medieval globe (Paper A24 of Part II of the Archaeology Tripos).
- Paper 15. Christianity and the transformation of culture (Paper A4 of Part I of the Theology, Religion, and Philosophy of Religion Tripos).

**13.** A candidate for Part I shall offer six of the papers specified in Regulation 12, provided that

- (a) no candidate shall offer more than two papers chosen from among Papers 11–15;
- (b) a candidate may submit in place of any one of the papers required under this regulation a dissertation on a topic approved by the Head of the Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic which falls within the scope of one or more of Papers 1–10.

**14.** The papers in Part II shall be as follows:

- Paper 1. A subject in Anglo-Saxon history specified by the Faculty Board of English.
- Paper 2. A subject in Scandinavian history of the Viking Age specified by the Faculty Board of English.
- Paper 3. A subject in Celtic history specified by the Faculty Board of English.
- Paper 4. A subject in Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic history specified by the Faculty Board of English.
- Paper 5. A subject in Old English literature specified by the Faculty Board of English.<sup>[2]</sup>
- Paper 6. Advanced medieval Scandinavian language and literature (also serves as Paper 26B of Part II of the English Tripos).<sup>[2]</sup>
- Paper 7. A subject in medieval Welsh literature specified by the Faculty Board of English (also serves as Paper 27B of Part II of the English Tripos).<sup>[2]</sup>
- Paper 8. Advanced medieval Irish language and literature (also serves as Paper 28B of Part II of the English Tripos).<sup>[2]</sup>
- Paper 9. A subject in Insular Latin literature specified by the Faculty Board of English.
- Paper 10. Textual criticism.
- Paper 11. Germanic philology (also serves as Paper 31 of the Linguistics Tripos).<sup>[2]</sup>
- Paper 12. Celtic philology (also serves as Paper 27 of the Linguistics Tripos).<sup>[2]</sup>
- Paper 13. Writing rituals.<sup>[3]</sup>
- Paper 14. Medieval English literature, 1066–1500 (Paper 6 of Part II of the English Tripos).
- Paper 15. A subject in medieval European history (a paper on a subject announced for a paper of Part II of the Historical Tripos which in any year has been approved for the purpose of this regulation by the Faculty Board of English).
- Paper 16(a). Historical linguistics (Paper 11 of the Linguistics Tripos).<sup>[4]</sup>
- Paper 16(b). History of the English language (Paper 13 of the Linguistics Tripos).<sup>[5]</sup>

- Paper 17. Topics in medieval studies to be specified by the Faculty Board from time to time (Paper Fr. 7 of the Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos).
- Paper 18. Christianity in late Antiquity (to *circa* 600) (Paper B6 of Part II of the Theology, Religion, and Philosophy of Religion Tripos).
- Paper 19. This history and culture of Early Rus (Paper Sl. 2. of the Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos).<sup>[3]</sup>
- Paper 20. A subject in ancient or medieval European history (Paper C4 of the Classical Tripos).
- Paper 21. England before the Norman Conquest (Paper 1 of Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos).
- Paper 22. Scandinavian history in the Viking Age (Paper 2 of Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos).
- Paper 23. The Brittonic-speaking peoples from the fourth century to the twelfth (Paper 3 of Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos).
- Paper 24. The Gaelic-speaking peoples from the fourth century to the twelfth (Paper 4 of Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos).
- Paper 25. Old English language and literature (Paper 5 of Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos. Also serves as Paper 8A of Part Ib of the English Tripos and Paper 25 of Part II of the English Tripos).
- Paper 26. Old Norse language and literature (Paper 6 of Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos. Also serves as Paper 8B of Part Ib and Paper 26A of Part II of the English Tripos).
- Paper 27. Medieval Welsh language and literature (Paper 7 of Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos. Also serves as Paper 8C of Part Ib and Paper 27A of Part II of the English Tripos).
- Paper 28. Medieval Irish language and literature (Paper 8 of Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos. Also serves as Paper 8D of Part Ib and Paper 28A of Part II of the English Tripos).
- Paper 29. Insular Latin language and literature (Paper 9 of Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos. Also serves as Paper 8E of Part Ib and Paper 29 of Part II of the English Tripos).
- Paper 30. Palaeography and codicology (Paper 10 of Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos).

**15.** Except as provided in Regulation 16, a candidate for Part II shall offer:

- (a) four of papers 1–20, provided that:
- (i) a candidate may not offer more than one paper chosen from among Papers 14–20;
  - (ii) no candidate who has previously offered Paper 13 in Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic Tripos shall offer Paper 19;
  - (iii) no candidate who has previously offered Paper 15 in Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic Tripos shall offer Paper 20;
  - (iv) no candidate shall offer a subject which they have previously offered in any other Honours examination;
- (b) a dissertation on a topic, approved by the Head of the Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic, which falls within the scope of one or more of Papers 1–10 of Part I and Papers 1–13 of Part II.

**16.** (a) A candidate for Part II who takes the examination in the year next after obtaining honours in Part I of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos or in another Honours Examination may offer in place of one of the papers required under Regulation 15(a) one paper chosen from among Papers 21–30;

(b) candidates for Part II who take the examination in the year next but one after obtaining honours in another Honours Examination may offer in place of up to two of the papers required under Regulation 15(a) papers chosen from among Papers 25–29; provided that:

- (i) a candidate may not offer a paper that they have previously offered in another Honours Examination;
- (ii) a candidate may not offer any of the following combinations of papers:
  - Paper 5 together with Paper 25;
  - Paper 6 together with Paper 26;
  - Paper 7 together with Paper 27;
  - Paper 8 together with Paper 28;
  - Paper 9 together with Paper 29;

17. (a) A candidate for Part I who wishes to offer a dissertation under Regulation 13(c), or a candidate for Part II who is required to offer a dissertation under Regulation 15(b), shall submit an application, to the Head of the Department, so as to arrive not later than the division of the Michaelmas Term next preceding the examination.

(b) Each candidate must obtain the approval of the proposed title by the Faculty Board not later than the last day of the Full Michaelmas Term next preceding the examination. When the Faculty Board have approved a title, no change shall be made to it without the further approval of the Faculty Board.

(c) A Part I dissertation shall be of not fewer than 7,000 and not more than 10,000 words in length, and a Part II dissertation shall be of not fewer than 9,000 and not more than 12,000 words in length, including appendices but excluding bibliography.

(d) A dissertation shall be submitted to the Head of the Department, so as to arrive not later than the first day of the Full Easter Term in which the examination is to be held.

(e) The Examiners shall have power to examine a candidate *viva voce* on their dissertation and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls.

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

### PART I

#### *Paper 1. England before the Norman Conquest*

An introduction to the history and civilization of England from the age of the Anglo-Saxon settlements to the Norman Conquest. Candidates will be required to use primary sources in the original languages or in translation.

#### *Paper 2. Scandinavian history in the Viking Age*

An introduction to the history and culture of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden in the Viking Age, including the westward expansion to the North Atlantic and the eastward expansion to Russia and Ukraine. Candidates will be required to use primary sources in the original languages or in translation.

#### *Paper 3. The Brittonic-speaking peoples from the fourth century to the twelfth*

An introduction to the history and culture of the Brittonic-speaking peoples from the collapse of the Roman Empire to the Anglo-Norman invasions. Candidates will be required to use primary sources in the original languages or in translation.

#### *Paper 4. The Gaelic-speaking peoples from the fourth century to the twelfth*

An introduction to the history and culture of the Gaelic-speaking peoples from the fourth century to the twelfth. Candidates will be required to use primary sources in the original languages or in translation.

#### *Paper 5. Old English language and literature* (also serves as Paper 8A of Part IB and Paper 25 of Part II of the English Tripos)

An introduction to the language and literary characteristics of Old English prose and poetry. There will be set texts in the original language; candidates will be required to translate passages from the set texts and an unseen passage of Old English, and to offer assessments in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

#### *Paper 6. Old Norse language and literature* (also serves as Paper 8B of Part IB and Paper 26A of Part II of the English Tripos)

An introduction to the language and literary characteristics of Old Norse prose and poetry. There will be set texts in the original language; candidates will be required to translate passages from the set texts and an unseen passage of Old Norse, and to offer assessments in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

#### *Paper 7. Medieval Welsh language and literature* (also serves as Paper 8C of Part IB and Paper 27A of Part II of the English Tripos)

An introduction to the language and literature of Wales from the beginnings to the end of the Middle Ages. There will be set texts in the original language; candidates will be required to translate, and to comment on the linguistic characteristics of, passages from the set texts, to translate an unseen passage of Middle Welsh, and to offer assessments in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

#### *Paper 8. Medieval Irish language and literature* (also serves as Paper 8D of Part IB and Paper 28A of Part II of the English Tripos)

An introduction to the language and literature of early medieval Ireland, in particular until the end of the tenth century. There will be set texts in the original language; candidates will be required to translate, and to comment on the linguistic characteristics of, passages from the set texts, to translate an unseen passage of Old Irish, and to offer assessments in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

*Paper 9. Insular Latin language and literature* (also serves as Paper 8E of Part IB and Paper 29 of Part II of the English Tripos)

An introduction to the Latin literature of England and the Celtic-speaking countries from the fourth century to the twelfth. An advanced knowledge of Latin is not expected when preparation is begun, although some knowledge of the language is desirable. There will be set texts in the original language; candidates will be required to show detailed knowledge of these and to offer assessments in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

*Paper 10. Palaeography and codicology*

An introduction to the manuscript as a physical object and the history of scripts used in the manuscript sources studied in Papers 1–9. Candidates will be required to answer compulsory practical questions, and to offer assessments in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

## PART II

*Paper 1. A subject in Anglo-Saxon history specified by the Faculty Board of English*

An advanced topic in the history and civilization of England from the age of the Anglo-Saxon settlements to the Norman Conquest. Candidates will be required to use primary sources in the original languages or in translation.

*Paper 2. A subject in Scandinavian history of the Viking Age specified by the Faculty Board of English*

An advanced topic in the history and culture of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden in the Viking Age, including the westward expansion to the North Atlantic and the eastward expansion to Russia and Ukraine. Candidates will be required to use primary sources in the original languages or in translation.

*Paper 3. A subject in Celtic history specified by the Faculty Board of English*

An advanced topic in the history and culture of the Celtic-speaking peoples from the fourth century to the twelfth. Candidates will be required to use primary sources in the original languages or in translation.

*Paper 4. A subject in Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic history specified by the Faculty Board of English*

An advanced topic in the history and culture of Anglo-Saxon England, medieval Scandinavia, and the medieval Celtic-speaking peoples. Candidates will be required to use primary sources in the original languages or in translation.

*Paper 5. A subject in Old English literature specified by the Faculty Board of English*

The work of an author or a group of authors, or a group of texts, or a literary topic or genre within the field of Old English literature, will be prescribed for special study. Candidates will be required to use primary sources in the original language.

*Paper 6. Advanced medieval Scandinavian language and literature* (also serves as Paper 26B of Part II of the English Tripos)

Scandinavian languages and literatures from the medieval period are studied. There will be set texts in the original language. Candidates will be required to translate and comment on extracts from these set texts and to translate unseen passages, and also to offer assessments in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board on selected topics in medieval Scandinavian literature.

*Paper 7. A subject in medieval Welsh literature specified by the Faculty Board of English* (also serves as Paper 27B of Part II of the English Tripos)

The work of an author or a group of authors, or a group of texts, or a literary topic or genre within the field of medieval Welsh literature will be prescribed for special study. Candidates will be required to use primary sources in the original language.

*Paper 8. Advanced medieval Irish language and literature* (also serves as Paper 28B of Part II of the English Tripos)

Irish language and literature from the beginnings to the end of the Middle Ages are studied. There will be set texts in the original language. Candidates will be required to translate extracts from these set texts and to translate unseen passages, and also to offer assessments in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board on selected topics in medieval Irish language and literature.

*Paper 9. A subject in Insular Latin literature specified by the Faculty Board of English*

The work of an author or a group of authors, or a group of texts, or a literary topic or genre within the field of Insular Latin literature, will be prescribed for special study. Candidates will be required to use primary sources in the original language.

*Paper 10. Textual criticism*

An introduction to the processes by which extant sources written in the languages studied for Papers 5–9 have been transmitted, and of the scholarly methods by which these sources are converted into a usable form. The various editorial and diplomatic approaches and techniques are studied. Candidates will be required to answer a compulsory practical question and to offer assessments in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board on selected topics.

*Paper 11. Germanic philology* (also serves as Paper 31 of the Linguistics Tripos)

The history and grammar of the Germanic languages will be studied in relation to one another and to their Indo-European background. Candidates will be required to comment on passages and to offer assessments in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board on selected topics.

*Paper 12. Celtic philology* (also serves as Paper 27 of the Linguistics Tripos)

The history and grammar of the Celtic languages will be studied in relation to one another and to their Indo-European background. Candidates will be required to comment on passages and to offer assessments in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board on selected topics.

*Paper 13. Writing rituals*

An advanced topic on the history and culture of manuscripts in medieval Britain, Ireland and Scandinavia. Candidates will be required to use primary sources in the original languages or in translation, and to transcribe manuscript facsimiles.

<sup>[1]</sup> See also the regulations for Affiliated Students ([p. 000]).

<sup>[2]</sup> This paper is also available to candidates for Part II of the Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos; see [p. 000].

<sup>[3]</sup> This paper is suspended in 2025–26.

<sup>[4]</sup> This paper is suspended in 2025–26 and in each alternate year thereafter.

<sup>[5]</sup> This paper is suspended in 2026–27 and in each alternate year thereafter.

**With effect from 1 October 2026**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of English, has approved, with effect from 1 October 2026, the amendment of the scheme of examination and supplementary regulations for the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos to update paper details as follows:

## Regulation 14.

By amending the title of Paper 13 *from* ‘Writing rituals’ *to* ‘A subject in manuscript studies specified by the Faculty Board of English’.

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

## PART II

By amending the title of Paper 13 to ‘A subject in manuscript studies specified by the Faculty Board of English’ but retaining the existing paper description.

**Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Tripos**

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 285)

**With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, has approved the amendment of regulations for the Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Tripos to amend a paper title to better reflect the content of the paper as follows:

## Regulation 15.

By amending the title of Paper EAS.1 *from* ‘Introduction to East Asian history’ *to* ‘Introduction to East Asian Studies’.

**Classical Tripos**

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 303)

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Classics, has approved an amendment to the regulations for the Classical Tripos to update paper details as follows:

**With effect from 1 October 2025**

## Regulation 23.

## GROUP C (HISTORY)

By amending the borrowing information for Paper C4 (retaining the footnote) so the description reads as follows:

- C4. A subject in ancient or medieval European history (may also be the same, in whole or in part, as a paper in Part II of the Historical Tripos; also serves as Paper 20 of Part II of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos).

## SCHEDULE OF OPTIONAL PAPERS

By amending the title of Optional Paper O9 *from* ‘Early medieval literature and its contexts, 1066–1350’ *to* ‘English literature and its contexts, 1066–1350’, and retaining the borrowing information in brackets.

## Education Tripos (Revised Regulations)

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 327)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Education, has approved amendments to the regulations for the Education Tripos to amend the scheme of examination and include references to assessments under the Ordinance on Assessment Formats, as follows:

Regulations 9, 13, 17–20.

By amending the text of Regulations 9, 13, and 17 to 20 so they read as follows:

**9.** The Faculty Board shall publish details of the coursework, dissertations, reports, performances, workshops, presentations, written examinations and practical examinations required of candidates for each Part of the Tripos not later than the beginning of the Full Michaelmas Term next preceding the examination.

**13.** Details of the modes of assessment shall be published by the Faculty Board not later than the beginning of the Michaelmas Term next preceding the examination. Assessments shall be offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

**17.** Assessments for Papers 8–26 shall be offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board, which will be published by the beginning of the Michaelmas Term next preceding the examination. Borrowed papers shall be assessed by the method set out by the appropriate authority for the Tripos from which it is borrowed.

**18.** Assessments for Paper 5 and Paper 6 shall be offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

**19.** The Paper 7 dissertation shall be of not less than 8,000 words and not more than 10,000 words, excluding notes and appendices, on a topic of the candidate's choice, subject to the approval of the Faculty Board.

**20.** At the discretion of the Examiners, a candidate for any Part may be examined *viva voce* on their submitted work.

## Engineering Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 328)

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Engineering, has approved an amendment to the regulations for the Engineering Tripos to change the total duration time for written papers for students in Group E to no more than nine hours, as follows:

Regulation 17.

By amending the first three sentences of the second paragraph of Regulation 17 to read as follows:

In each of Groups A, B and F the Faculty Board shall prescribe modules whose total duration for written papers shall be nine hours. In each of Groups C and D the Faculty Board shall prescribe modules whose total duration for written papers shall be ten and a half hours. In Groups E and G the Faculty Board shall prescribe modules whose total duration for written papers shall be no more than nine hours.

## English Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 333)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of English, has approved amendments to the regulations for the English Tripos to amend a paper title to better reflect the content of the paper as follows:

Regulation 18.

By amending the title of Paper 3 *from* 'Early medieval literature and its contexts, 1066–1350' *to* 'English literature and its contexts, 1066–1350' and retaining the borrowing information in brackets.

Regulation 21.

By amending the title of Paper 20 *from* 'Early medieval literature and its contexts, 1066–1350' *to* 'English literature and its contexts, 1066–1350' and retaining the borrowing information in brackets.

## Geographical Tripos

### PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 271)

#### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty of Earth Sciences and Geography, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the Preliminary Examination for Part II of the Geographical Tripos, to update the scheme of examination as follows:

Regulation 3.

By amending Regulation 3 so it reads as follows:

**3.** Each candidate shall:

- (a) offer four papers from Part IB of the Geographical Tripos; and
- (b) submit to the Examiners, in accordance with arrangements to be specified by the Head of the Department of Geography and by a date or dates to be announced not later than the first quarter of Michaelmas Term, a record of a practical exercise or exercises undertaken by the candidate.

All items in section (b) shall be submitted together with a declaration as specified in Regulation 20 of the Geographical Tripos.

### TRIPOS REGULATIONS

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 340)

#### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Earth Sciences and Geography, has approved the amendment of the regulations for the Geographical Tripos to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The regulations, incorporating all approved changes in effect at 1 October 2025, are as follows:

#### GEOGRAPHICAL TRIPOS

1. The Geographical Tripos shall consist of three Parts: Part IA, Part IB, and Part II.
2. The following may present themselves as candidates for honours in Part IA:
  - (a) students who have not obtained honours in another Honours Examination, provided that they have kept one term and that three complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence;
  - (b) students who have obtained honours in another Honours Examination, in the year after so obtaining honours, provided that they have kept four terms and that nine complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence.
3. Students may be candidates for honours in Part IB in the year after obtaining honours either in Part IA or in another Honours Examination, provided that they have kept four terms and that twelve complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence.
4. Students may be candidates for honours in Part II:
  - either* (a) in the year next after obtaining honours in Part IB of the Geographical Tripos,
  - or* (b) in the year next or next but one after obtaining honours in another Honours Examination, other than Part IA of the Geographical Tripos;
 provided that they have kept seven terms and that twelve complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence.<sup>[1]</sup>
5. No student shall be a candidate for more than one Part, or for any Part and also for another Honours Examination, in the same term.
6. No student who has been a candidate for any Part shall again be a candidate for the same Part.
7. The Faculty Board of Earth Sciences and Geography shall have power to issue from time to time supplementary regulations defining or limiting all or any of the subjects of examination. Due care shall be taken that sufficient notice is given of any alterations of such supplementary regulations.
8. The Faculty Board shall nominate for each Part of the Tripos such number of Examiners as they shall deem sufficient. There shall be two separate bodies of Examiners, one for Part IA and Part IB, and one for Part II. There shall be a separate Chair of Examiners for each body of Examiners.
9. The Faculty Board shall have power to nominate one or more Assessors to assist each body of Examiners. An Assessor may be summoned to meetings of the Examiners for the purpose of consultation and advice, but shall not be entitled to vote.

**10.** The questions proposed by each Examiner and Assessor shall be submitted to the whole body of Examiners for approval.

**11.** The Examiners shall have regard to the style and method of candidates' answers, and shall give credit for excellence in these respects.

**12.** In the class-list for each Part of the Tripos the names of those who obtain honours shall be arranged in three classes, of which the second shall be divided into two divisions.

**13.** For special excellence in each Part of the Tripos a mark of distinction may be awarded.

**14.** In the examination for each Part of the Tripos the Examiners may take account of the laboratory and field work done by candidates during the courses leading to the examination.

**15.** Notice of prescribed areas shall be published by the Faculty Board before the end of the Easter Term next preceding the examination to which they apply; provided that the Board shall have the power of subsequently issuing amendments if they have due reason for doing so and if they are satisfied that no student's preparation for the examination would be adversely affected.

#### PART IA

**16.** The examination shall consist of:

- (a) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board;
- (b) one practical exercise undertaken by the candidate, together with a declaration as specified in Regulation 20, submitted to the Examiners in accordance with arrangements to be specified by the Head of the Department of Geography and by a date at the beginning of the Easter Term to be announced not later than the division of the preceding Michaelmas Term.

The Examiners shall have power to examine candidates *viva voce* on their submitted work.

#### PART IB

**17.** The examination shall consist of:

- (a) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board;
- (b) one or more practical exercise undertaken by the candidate, submitted to the Examiners in accordance with arrangements to be specified by the Head of the Department of Geography and by a date or dates to be announced not later than the division of the preceding Michaelmas Term.

All items of submitted work shall be accompanied by a declaration as specified in Regulation 20.

#### PART II

**18.** The examination shall consist of assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

**19.** Except as provided in (a) and (b) below, every candidate for Part II shall send to the Chair of Examiners so as to arrive not later than the first Tuesday of the Full Term in which the examination is to be held, for submission to the Examiners, a dissertation on some geographical subject. This regulation shall not apply to:

- (a) Affiliated Students who are candidates for Part II in the first, second or third term after their first term kept; or
- (b) a student who has not obtained honours in either Part IA or Part IB of the Geographical Tripos and who is a candidate for Part II in the year next after obtaining honours in another Honours Examination; such a student shall submit in place of the dissertation a critical review essay of dissertation length.

**20.** When submitting records of practical exercises for Part IA under Regulation 16(b), or coursework, essays, records of practical exercises and dissertation proposals for Part IB under Regulation 17, or a critical review essay or coursework or a dissertation for Part II (under Regulations 18 and 19), candidates will be required to sign a declaration that the work submitted is their own work, unaided except as may be specified in the declaration (full and proper acknowledgement being given of the work of others), and that it does not contain material that has already been used to any substantial extent for a comparable purpose; if two or more candidates have undertaken practical exercises in collaboration, they will each be required to indicate the extent of their contribution.

<sup>[1]</sup> See also the regulations for Affiliated Students ([p. 000]).

## History and Modern Languages Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 351)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Modern and Medieval Languages and Linguistics, has approved an amendment to the regulations for the History and Modern Languages Tripos to clarify the word count of the Part II dissertation, as follows:

Regulation 18(c).

By amending, in the first sentence of the regulation, the words ‘A dissertation shall be not less than 10,000 words in length’ to read ‘A dissertation shall be not more than 10,000 words in length’.

## History and Politics Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 358)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of History, has approved an amendment to the regulations for the History and Politics Tripos to update the Part and Paper details to reflect changes to the Historical Tripos, as follows:

Regulation 14(b).

By amending the text of Regulation 14(b) to read as follows:

- (b) a student who has obtained honours in Part IB of the Historical Tripos in the next year after so obtaining honours, provided that they have taken either Paper T1 or Paper T2 in Part IB of that Tripos;

## History of Art Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 361)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Architecture and History of Art, has approved amendments to the scheme of examination for the History of Art Tripos. The opportunity has also been taken to make further amendments to the regulations to remove details of certain paper assessments and clarify wording, as follows:

PART I

Regulation 13.

By removing details of the content of Paper 3 and Paper 5 and updating the regulation as follows:

**13.** The scheme of examination for Part I shall be:

Paper 1.	The objects of art history.
Papers 2 and 3.	The making of art.
Papers 4 and 5.	The meaning of architecture and art.

Each candidate shall offer all five papers and shall submit a Part I short dissertation, as prescribed in Regulation 18, on a subject approved by the Faculty Board relating to some aspect of art or architecture in or around Cambridge.

Papers 1–5 shall be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

PARTS IIA AND IIB

Regulation 14.

By updating the regulation to read as follows:

**14.** The scheme of examination for Part IIA and Part IIB shall be:

Paper 1.	Approaches to the history of art, with reference to works of criticism.
Paper 2.	The display of art.
Papers 3–14.	Part IIA Option Papers dealing with a particular person, subject or period in the history of art.
Papers 15–26.	Part IIB Option Papers dealing with a particular person, subject or period in the history of art.

There shall be no fewer than eight and not more than twelve Option Papers specified for each of Part IIA and Part IIB. Papers 1–26 shall be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board. Details of the nature of the assessment and of the arrangements for its submission shall be published by the Faculty Board not later than the beginning of the Full Michaelmas Term next preceding the examination.

## Human, Social and Political Sciences Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 364)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Human, Social and Political Science, has approved amendments to the regulations for the Human, Social and Political Sciences Tripos to update paper details as follows:

Regulation 11.

#### Section A

By adding Paper SAN2. ‘Ethnographic methods and writing’ to the list of papers in Section A.

By adding three additional sub-paragraphs to paragraph (a) at the end of Regulation 11, so it reads as follows:

A candidate for Part I shall be required to offer four papers as follows:

- (a) three papers from Section A:
  - (i) one from POL1 or POL2;
  - (ii) SAN1; and
  - (iii) SOC1.
- (b) one further paper from Section A or a paper from Section B.

#### Section B

By amending the number and title of Paper PBS1 so it reads ‘PBS01 Introduction to experimental psychology: From brain to cognition (from Part I of the Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos)’.

Regulation 15.

#### POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

By removing the footnote against POL13 as this paper is no longer available to candidates on the Economics Tripos.

#### SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

By amending the paper numbers and titles of the Social Anthropology papers to accommodate the new Part I paper SAN2, and to increase the number of special subject papers (retaining the sub-heading footnote), to read as follows:

##### SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

- SAN3. The foundations of social life
- SAN4. Anthropological theory and methods
- SAN5. Ethical life and the anthropology of the subject
- SAN6. Power, economy, and social transformation
- SAN7. The anthropology of an ethnographic area

##### *Special subjects in social anthropology*<sup>[1]</sup>

- SAN8. A subject in social anthropology I
- SAN9. A subject in social anthropology II
- SAN10. A subject in social anthropology III
- SAN11. A subject in social anthropology IV
- SAN12. A subject in social anthropology V
- SAN13. A subject in social anthropology VI
- SAN14. A subject in social anthropology VII
- SAN15. A subject in social anthropology VIII
- SAN16. A subject in social anthropology IX
- SAN17. A subject in social anthropology X
- SAN18. A subject in social anthropology XI
- SAN19. A subject in social anthropology XII
- SAN20. A subject in social anthropology XIII

<sup>[1]</sup> Three or four of these papers will be available each year, as announced by the Department by the end of Easter Term in the previous academic year.

## SOCIOLOGY

By amending the paper titles of both SOC15 and CRIM4 *from* ‘Criminology, sentencing, and the penal system’ *to* ‘Criminology and criminal justice in context’, retaining the borrowing information in brackets for each.

## Regulation 17.

*Candidates in Politics and International Relations*

By amending the text of Regulation 17(a)(iv) to read as follows:

- (iv) one paper chosen from the following list: Papers A1, A3, B1–B4, and A11 from the Archaeology Tripos, POL5–6, SAN8–20, SOC2–3, Paper 1 *or* Paper 2 for the subject History and Philosophy of Science in Part IB of the Natural Sciences Tripos, Paper PBS02 of the Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos.

*Candidates in Social Anthropology*

By amending the text of Regulations 17(b)(i) and (ii) to read as follows:

- (i) SAN3, SAN4 and SAN7;
- (ii) one paper chosen from the following list: Papers A1, A3 and A11 from the Archaeology Tripos, POL3–4, SAN2, SAN8–20, SOC2–3, SOC5, Paper 1 *or* Paper 2 for the subject History and Philosophy of Science in Part IB of the Natural Sciences Tripos, Paper PBS02 of the Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos, or Paper J9 of the Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Tripos.

*Candidates in Sociology*

By amending the text of Regulation 17(c)(iv) to read as follows:

- (iv) one paper chosen from the following list: Papers A1, A3, B1–B4, and A11 from the Archaeology Tripos, CRIM1, POL3–4, SAN8–20, SOC4–5, Paper 1 *or* Paper 2 for the subject History and Philosophy of Science in Part IB of the Natural Sciences Tripos, Paper PBS02 of the Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos, Paper ED3 in Part IB of the Education Tripos.

*Candidates in Social Anthropology and Politics*

By amending the text of Regulations 17(e)(i) to read as follows:

- (i) SAN3 and one paper chosen from the following list: SAN4, SAN7 or SAN8–20;

*Candidates in Social Anthropology and Religious Studies – Modern Religion*

By amending the text of Regulations 17(f)(i) and (ii) to read as follows:

- (i) SAN3;
- (ii) one paper chosen from SAN4, SAN7 or SAN8–20;

*Candidates in Sociology and Social Anthropology*

By amending the text of Regulations 17(h)(i) to read as follows:

- (i) SAN3 and *either* SAN4 *or* SAN7;

## Regulation 18.

*Candidates in Politics and International Relations*

By amending the text of Regulation 18(a)(iii), but retaining the existing footnotes for certain papers, to read as follows:

- (iii) one paper chosen from the following: B2–B4 from Part II of the Archaeology Tripos, SAN8–20, SOC6–15, Paper 5 or Paper 6 for the subject History and Philosophy of Science in Part II of the Natural Sciences Tripos, Paper PT6 from Part II of the Historical Tripos, Paper 8 borrowed from Part II of the Economics Tripos, Paper EAS.2 from the Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Tripos, or a further paper chosen from POL6 and POL10–22.

*Candidates in Social Anthropology*

By amending the text of Regulations 18(b)(ii) and (iii), but retaining the existing footnotes for certain papers, to read as follows:

- (ii) either one paper chosen from SAN8–20, or a dissertation on a subject approved by the Head of the Department of Social Anthropology, which shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 19;
- (iii) one paper chosen from the following: a further paper chosen from SAN7 or SAN8–20, one paper chosen from POL13, POL17, SOC5–15, Paper 5 for the subject History and Philosophy of Science in Part II of the Natural Sciences Tripos, or Paper J9 from the Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Tripos.

*Candidates in Sociology*

By amending the text of Regulation 18(c)(iii), retaining the existing footnotes for certain papers, to read as follows:

- (iii) one paper chosen from the following list: B2–B4 from Part II of the Archaeology Tripos, POL13, POL17, SAN8–20, Papers PBS06–07 of the Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos, a further paper chosen from SOC5–15.

*Candidates in Social Anthropology and Politics*

By amending the text of Regulations 18(e)(i) to read as follows:

- (i) one paper chosen from SAN5–SAN6, and one paper chosen from SAN5, SAN6, SAN7 or SAN8–20;

*Candidates in Social Anthropology and Religious Studies – Modern Religion*

By amending the text of Regulations 18(f)(ii) to read as follows:

- (ii) one paper chosen from SAN6, SAN7 or SAN8–20;

*Candidates in Sociology and Social Anthropology*

By amending the text of Regulations 18(h)(ii) to read as follows:

- (ii) one paper chosen from SAN5–SAN6, and one paper chosen from SAN5, SAN6, SAN7 or SAN8–20;

## Regulation 19.

By amending the text of Regulation 19(c) to read as follows:

- (c) A dissertation shall be of not more than 10,000 words in length. The inclusion of footnotes, figures, tables, appendices, and bibliography in the word count will be specified by each Department. Each dissertation shall be typewritten and submitted in an approved electronic format.

**Land Economy Tripos**

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 370)

**With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Board of Land Economy, has approved amendments to the regulations for the Land Economy Tripos to amend the scheme of examination and include references to assessments under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The Board of Land Economy has also approved amendments to the Supplementary Regulations. The amendments are as follows:

## Regulation 12.

By replacing the final paragraph of Regulation 12 with the following text:

The subject of each paper shall be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Board of Land Economy.

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS.

## GROUP I.

By revising the assessment details in the descriptions of Paper 3 and Paper 4 so they read as follows:

*Paper 3. Quantitative and legal methods for land economists*

An introduction to relevant skills required for successful study on the Land Economy Tripos. These include legal skills, mathematics (including refreshing mathematical skills), statistics and qualitative policy analysis.

*Paper 4. Land economy, development and sustainability*

Major economic, demographic, institutional and technological changes and their impact upon the natural and built environments of the United Kingdom. The assessment undertaken for Paper 4 shall be specified by the Board of Land Economy and announced not later than the division of the Lent Term. Each candidate will be required to sign a declaration that the work submitted for this paper is their own work, unaided except as may be specified in the declaration, and that the work submitted does not contain material that has already been used to any substantial extent for a comparable purpose; if two or more candidates have undertaken work in collaboration, they will each be required to indicate the extent of their contribution.

## Law Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 373)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Law, has approved the amendments to the scheme of examination for the Law Tripos. The opportunity has also been taken to make further amendments to the regulations by revising the text in Regulation 15, Regulation 16 and Regulation 17, as follows:

Regulation 15.

By revising the text of Regulation 15 to replace ‘for professional exemption’ with ‘in which that student is a candidate’ so it reads as follows:

**15.** A student who fails to take or is unsuccessful in the examination in any subject or paper designated as an Examination in which that student is a candidate in accordance with Regulations 2 shall be eligible for re-examination. Subject to Regulation 24, no student shall be a candidate in any Examination for Professional Exemption on more than two occasions in total.

Regulation 16.

By removing the penultimate sentence of Regulation 16 so it reads as follows:

**16.** There shall be a separate class-list for each Part of the Tripos. In each list the names of the successful candidates shall be arranged in three classes, of which the second shall be divided into two divisions. The names in the first and third classes, and in each division of the second class, shall be arranged in alphabetical order. In each class-list a mark of distinction shall be affixed to the names of those candidates placed in the first class whose work is of special merit. Successful candidates in the Examinations for Professional Exemption shall be informed by the Examinations Secretary of the Faculty of Law after results are confirmed by the Faculty Board.

Regulation 17.

GROUP III

By amending the title of Paper 34 *from* ‘Criminology, sentencing, and the penal system’ *to* ‘Criminology and criminal justice in context’ and retaining the borrowing information in brackets.

GROUP IV

By amending the title of Paper 47 *from* ‘Aspects of obligations’ *to* ‘Advanced obligations’.

And by revising the text of Regulation 17(d) so it reads as follows:

(d) Each paper shall be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Faculty Board, except for Paper 50. Paper 50 shall be assessed by dissertation, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 21.

## Mathematical Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 382)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Mathematics, has approved amendments to the scheme of examination for Part II of the Mathematical Tripos. The opportunity has also been taken to make further an amendment to the regulations, as follows:

Part II.

By revising the text of Regulation 11 and adding a new Regulation 12 to read as follows, renumbering the subsequent regulations, and updating cross references:

**11.** The examination for Part II shall comprise assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The number of papers that the Faculty intend to set and the subject and duration of each paper shall be announced by the Board not later than 1 November next preceding the examination.

**12.** Each candidate shall submit a form, countersigned by their Director of Studies, to the Chair of Examiners, so as to arrive not later than 12 noon of the second Thursday of the Full Easter Term in which the examination is to be held, listing the titles of the papers that they wish to offer. No candidate shall offer papers whose total duration amounts to more than seventeen and a half hours.

## Medical Sciences Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 393)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Biology, has approved amendments to the regulations for the Medical Sciences Tripos to amend the scheme of examination to include references to the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. Additionally, the Faculty Board of Biology has approved the removal of the Special Regulations. The following amendments have been made:

Regulations 15 and 20.

By amending the text of Regulations 15 and 20 so they read as follows:

**15.** The examination for each of the subjects in Regulation 14 shall consist of assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

**20.** The examination for each of the subjects in Regulation 19 shall consist of assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board, covering three sections numbered (I) to (III).

### SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS.

By removing the Supplementary Regulations in their entirety.

## Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 387)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Modern and Medieval Languages and Linguistics, has approved amendments to the regulations for the Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos to update paper details and amend the Projects submission date, as follows:

#### *SCHEDULE B.*

By adding an additional footnote against the following papers to suspend them for the 2025–26 academic year:

- Fr. 15. A special topic in French studies (B) to be specified by the Faculty Board from time to time.
- Sl. 2. The history and culture of Early Rus.
- Sl. 10. Studies in twentieth-century Ukrainian literature and film.
- Sl. 11. Topics in nineteenth-century Slavonic literature and culture.
- Sl. 12. Topics in Slavonic studies.
- CS 3. The Slavonic languages.

By adding an additional footnote against the following papers to suspend until further notice:

- Ge. 8. History of the German language.
- Ge. 14. A special topic in German studies to be specified by the Faculty Board from time to time.
- Sl. 5. Russian and Soviet culture from 1900.

And by adding borrowed paper information to Paper Sl. 2 to read as follows:

- Sl. 2. The history and culture of Early Rus. (also serves as Paper 13 of Part I and Paper 19 of Part II of the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Tripos).

#### *SCHEDULE IB.*

By adding Paper Sp. 11 (The Ibero-Romance languages) to the list of Portuguese papers in Schedule IB with a new footnote that reads ‘Paper Sp. 11 may be offered as a paper either in Spanish or in Portuguese for the purposes of Regulation 23(a)(ii)’.

By adding a footnote reference to Paper Sp. 6 (Introduction to Catalan language and culture) to include it in the list of papers under current footnote 6, and revising the text of the footnote to replace the reference to Sp. 10 with one for Sp. 6 so it reads as follows:

- <sup>[6]</sup> No candidate may offer more than one of Papers Gr. 3, Gr. 6A, Gr. 6I, Pg. 3, Sl. 9, Sl. 13, or Sp. 6 in any one year.

#### *SCHEDULE II.*

By removing the reference to footnote 1 from Paper Sp. 10 and amending the text of that footnote to replace the reference to Sp. 10 with one for Sp. 6 so it reads as follows:

- <sup>[1]</sup> No candidate may offer more than one of Papers Gr. 3, Gr. 6A, Gr. 6I, Pg. 3, Sl. 9, Sl. 13, or Sp. 6 in any one year.

#### *SCHEDULE E.*

By amending the date by which projects and dissertations are to be submitted by for Projects – subject area *from* ‘First Friday of Full Michaelmas term’ *to* ‘First Friday in September’.

## Music Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 404)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Music, has approved an amendment to the regulations for the Music Tripos to update paper details as follows:

Regulation 13.

By amending the title of Paper 5 *from* 'Introduction to performance studies' *to* 'Performance'.

## Natural Sciences Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 406)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Committee of Management for the Natural Sciences Tripos, has approved amendments to the scheme of examination for the Natural Sciences Tripos to include references to the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The full course regulations, incorporating all approved changes in effect at 1 October 2025, are published in full below.

### NATURAL SCIENCES TRIPOS

1. The Natural Sciences Tripos shall consist of four Parts: Part IA, Part IB, Part II, and Part III.
2. A student who has not obtained honours in another Honours Examination may present themselves as a candidate for honours in Part IA, provided that they have kept one term and that three complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence.
3. A student who has obtained honours in an Honours Examination may be a candidate for honours in Part IB in the year next after so obtaining honours, provided that the student has kept four terms and that six complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence.<sup>[1]</sup>
4. A student who not earlier than the fourth term after their first term of residence has obtained honours in an Honours Examination other than Part IA of the Natural Sciences Tripos or Part IA of the Medical Sciences Tripos or Veterinary Sciences Tripos, may be a candidate for honours in Part II in the year next after so obtaining honours;<sup>[2]</sup> provided that the student has kept seven terms and that twelve complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence.<sup>[1]</sup>
5. The following may present themselves as a candidate for honours in Part III, provided that they have not proceeded to the B.A. Degree:
  - (a) a student who has obtained honours in Part II of the Natural Sciences Tripos or has been deemed to have obtained honours in Part II of the Tripos under Regulation 4, in the year next after so obtaining honours, provided that they have attained a satisfactory standard, as prescribed by the relevant authority,<sup>[3]</sup> in previous Honours Examinations;
  - (b) a student who has obtained honours or has been deemed to have obtained honours in any honours examination, other than Part II of the Natural Sciences Tripos, provided that they have been given leave to do so by the relevant authority,<sup>[3]</sup> in special circumstances, which the relevant authority shall determine.
6. No student shall be a candidate for more than one Part, or for any Part and also for another Honours Examination, in the same term.
7. No student who has been a candidate for any Part shall again be a candidate for the same Part.
8. The Committee of Management for the Natural Sciences Tripos in consultation with the Faculty Board or comparable authority concerned shall have power to issue from time to time supplementary regulations defining or limiting all or any of the subjects of the examination. Due care shall be taken that sufficient notice is given of any alteration of such supplementary regulations.
9. Faculty Boards or comparable authorities shall be identified as nominating bodies, as specified below, and shall be responsible for nominating a Senior Examiner and such number of Examiners and Assessors as they may deem sufficient. An Examiner may be appointed to examine in more than one Part of the Tripos in any year.

*Nominating bodies*

Faculty of Biology

Faculty Board of Earth Sciences and Geography

Faculty Board of Mathematics

Faculty Board of Physics and Chemistry

Faculty of Biology

Faculty Board of Earth Sciences and Geography

Board of History and Philosophy of Science

Faculty Board of Mathematics

Faculty Board of Physics and Chemistry

Faculty of Biology

Faculty Board of Earth Sciences and Geography

Board of History and Philosophy of Science

Faculty Board of Physics and Chemistry

Faculty Boards of Earth Sciences and Geography and  
Physics and Chemistry (jointly)

Faculty of Biology

Faculty Board of Earth Sciences and Geography

Board of History and Philosophy of Science

Faculty Board of Mathematics

Faculty Board of Physics and Chemistry

*Subjects*

## PART IA

Biology of Cells  
Evolutionary Biology  
Physiology of Organisms  
Mathematical Biology

Earth Sciences

Mathematics

Chemistry

Physics

Materials Science

## PART IB

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology  
Biology of Disease  
Cell Developmental Biology  
Ecology and Conservation  
Evolution and Animal Diversity  
Mathematical and Computational Biology  
Neurobiology  
Pharmacology  
Physiology  
Plant and Microbial Sciences

Earth Sciences A

Earth Sciences B

Quantitative Environmental Sciences

History and Philosophy of Science

Mathematics

Chemistry A

Chemistry B

Materials Science

Physics A

Physics B

## PART II

Biochemistry  
Biological and Biomedical Sciences  
Genetics  
Pathology  
Pharmacology  
Physiology, Development and Neuroscience  
Plant Sciences  
Psychology  
Zoology

Earth Sciences

History and Philosophy of Science

Astrophysics

Chemistry

Materials Science

Physics

Physical Sciences

## PART III

Biochemistry  
Systems Biology

Earth Sciences

History and Philosophy of Science

Quantitative Climate and Environmental Science

Astrophysics

Chemistry

Materials Science

Physics

**10.** There shall be three bodies of Examiners, one for Part IA, one for Part IB, and one for Part II and Part III. For each of the three bodies there shall be a Chair of Examiners, provided that the same person may be appointed Chair for two or more of the bodies. For each body there may also be one or more Assistant Chairs of Examiners. Chairs and Assistant Chairs of Examiners shall be appointed on the nomination of the Committee of Management for the Natural Sciences Tripos; nominations shall be made not later than the last day of Full Easter Term in the calendar year next preceding that in which the examination is to be held.

**11.** The Examiners in each subject shall be jointly responsible for all the questions set and for the marks awarded in that subject. At least two Examiners or one Examiner and one Assessor shall set and conduct every oral and practical examination.

**12.** The Examiners shall have regard to the style and method of candidates' answers, and shall give credit for excellence in these respects.

**13.** The Assessors shall propose questions in the parts of the subjects assigned to them by the Examiners, shall look over the answers of the candidates to these questions, and shall report thereon to the Examiners. The Assessors may be required to assist the Examiners in setting and conducting every oral and practical examination. The Assessors may be summoned to meetings of the Examiners for the purpose of consultation and advice, but shall not be entitled to vote.

**14.** The Chairs of Examiners shall communicate the marks of all candidates to the Registry.

#### PART IA

**15.** The subjects of examination in Part IA, which shall be divided into two groups, A and B, shall be as follows:

##### GROUP A

Biology of Cells	Materials Science
Chemistry	Physics
Earth Sciences	Physiology of Organisms
Evolutionary Biology	
Introduction to Experimental Psychology: From Brain to Cognition	

##### GROUP B

Mathematics	Mathematical Biology
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**16.** Each candidate shall offer three subjects from Group A and one subject from Group B. A candidate will not be permitted to take Introduction to Experimental Psychology: From Brain to Cognition alongside Chemistry. A candidate taking the examination under the provisions of Regulation 2(b) shall not offer Biology of Cells, Evolutionary Biology, or Physiology of Organisms if they have previously obtained honours in the Medical and Veterinary Sciences Tripos.

Assessments shall be offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The practical examination (where such exists) may include a *viva voce* examination.

**17.** The names of the candidates who obtain honours in Part IA shall be arranged in three classes, of which the second shall be divided into two divisions. The names in the first and third classes, and in each division of the second class, shall be arranged in alphabetical order.

**18.** In arranging the class-list the Examiners shall take into account the absolute number of aggregate marks obtained and may further take into account the standard obtained by candidates in each subject.

#### PART IB

**19.** The subjects of examination in Part IB shall be as follows:

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	Materials Science
Biology of Disease	Mathematical and Computational Biology
Cell and Developmental Biology	Mathematics
Chemistry A	Neurobiology
Chemistry B	Pharmacology
Earth Sciences A	Physics A
Earth Sciences B	Physics B
Ecology and Conservation	Physiology
Evolution and Animal Diversity	Plant and Microbial Sciences
History and Philosophy of Science	Quantitative Environmental Sciences

**20.** Each candidate shall offer three subjects, provided that:

- (a) not more than one subject shall be chosen from any one of the groups numbered (i) to (ix) below:
- (i) Chemistry A; Neurobiology;
  - (ii) Biology of Disease; Ecology, Evolution, and Conservation; Physics A;
  - (iii) Cell and Developmental Biology; Materials Science;
  - (iv) Earth Sciences B; Mathematical and Computational Biology; Physics B;
  - (v) Biochemistry and Molecular Biology; Earth Sciences A;
  - (vi) Plant and Microbial Sciences;
  - (vii) Evolution and Animal Diversity; Mathematics; Pharmacology; Quantitative Environmental Sciences;
  - (viii) Chemistry B; Physiology;
  - (ix) History and Philosophy of Science.

**21.** No candidate shall offer Mathematics if honours have previously been obtained in Part IB of the Mathematical Tripos, or unless the candidate:

- either* (i) has previously offered Mathematics in Part IA of the Natural Sciences Tripos;  
*or* (ii) has obtained honours in Part IA of the Mathematical Tripos, or in Part IA of the Computer Science Tripos, or in Part IA of the Engineering Tripos,  
*or* (iii) is an Affiliated Student.

**22.** (a) The following subjects will be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats:

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	Materials Science
Biology of Disease	Mathematical and Computational Biology
Cell and Developmental Biology	Mathematics
Chemistry A	Neurobiology
Chemistry B	Pharmacology
Earth Sciences A	Physics A
Earth Sciences B	Physics B
Ecology and Conservation	Physiology
Evolution and Animal Diversity	Plant and Microbial Sciences
History and Philosophy of Science	Quantitative Environmental Sciences

(b) The following subjects will also be assessed by practical examination:

Earth Sciences A	Earth Sciences B
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The practical examination (where such exists) may include a *viva voce* examination.

**23.** The names of the candidates who obtain honours in Part IB shall be arranged in three classes, of which the second shall be divided into two divisions. The names in the first and third classes, and in each division of the second class, shall be arranged in alphabetical order.

**24.** In arranging the class-list the Examiners may take into account the standard attained by candidates in each subject as well as the aggregate of marks obtained by them.

## PART II

**25.** The subjects of examination in Part II shall be as follows:

Astrophysics	Pathology
Biochemistry	Pharmacology
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	Physical Sciences
Chemistry	Physics
Earth Sciences	Physiology, Development and Neuroscience
Genetics	Plant Sciences
History and Philosophy of Science	Psychology
Materials Science	Zoology

**26.** Each candidate for Part II shall offer one of these subjects, and shall satisfy the requirements set out in Regulation 29 for the subject offered where relevant.

**27.** Each candidate submitting coursework under Regulation 29 shall be required to sign a declaration that the exercise submitted is their own work, unaided except as may be specified in the declaration, and that it does not contain material that has already been used to any substantial extent for a comparable purpose; if two or more candidates have undertaken work in collaboration, they shall each be required to indicate the extent of their contribution. The Examiners shall have power if they consider that a piece of work submitted for the examination is not sufficiently legible, to require that it be resubmitted in typescript.

28. For each subject in Part II the Examiners may, at their discretion, examine a candidate *viva voce*.

29. (a) For the following subjects, assessments shall be offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats:

Astrophysics	Pathology
Biochemistry	Pharmacology
Chemistry	Physics
Earth Sciences	Physiology, Development and Neuroscience
Genetics	Plant Sciences
History and Philosophy of Science	Psychology
Materials Science	Zoology

(b) Additional examination requirements for the particular subjects shall be as follows:

*Biological and Biomedical Sciences.*

Each candidate shall offer:

- (a) the examination requirements of one Major Subject;
- (b) the examination requirements of one Minor Subject;
- (c) a dissertation of not more than 6,000 words, excluding tables, figures, and references.

The Major and Minor Subjects and their examination requirements shall be announced by the Faculty Board of Biology not later than the division of the Lent Term in the year next preceding the examination. When giving notice of the Subjects to be offered, the Faculty Board of Biology shall have power, in consultation with the General Board, to announce restrictions on the combinations of subjects that any candidate may offer in the examination.

The subject of the dissertation shall be on a topic related to either the Major or Minor Subject offered by the candidate. The subject shall be either proposed by the candidate and approved by the Examiners, or chosen by the candidate from a list of subjects announced by the Examiners. Each candidate shall obtain the approval for their subject not later than the division of Michaelmas Term. Dissertations shall be prepared in accordance with guidelines which shall be issued by the Faculty Board of Biology not later than the division of the Michaelmas Term.

*Chemistry.*

Each candidate shall offer Papers 1, 3 and 4. Candidates who have previously offered Chemistry A and Chemistry in Part Ib of the Natural Sciences Tripos shall also offer Paper 2A; candidates who have previously offered only Chemistry B may offer either Paper 2A or Paper 2B.

*Earth Sciences.*

Each candidate shall offer three courses, chosen from a list of at least five, to include three practical examinations or continuously assessed practical work, one associated with each of the three courses offered.

*Pathology.*

Candidates shall offer a practical examination.

*Physical Sciences.*

Each candidate shall offer

- (a) the examination requirements of one Half Subject, chosen from Chemistry, Earth Sciences, Physics;
- (b) the examination requirements of a subject from Part Ib of the Tripos, as specified in Regulation 22, subject to any restrictions outlined below; a dissertation of 5,000 words, inclusive of notes, but excluding tables, figures, and references. The subject of the dissertation shall be on a topic approved by the Head of the Department in which the candidate is offering the Half Subject. Each candidate shall obtain the approval for their subject not later than the division of the Michaelmas Term. Dissertations shall be prepared in accordance with guidelines which shall be issued by the Faculty Boards of Earth Sciences and Geography, and Physics and Chemistry, jointly, not later than the division of the Michaelmas Term. The dissertation shall be submitted to the Head of the Department in which the candidate is offering the Half Subject.
  - (i) The examination requirements for Half Subject Chemistry shall consist of assessments offered in a format prescribed under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. Half Subject Chemistry may not be offered unless the candidate has previously offered either Chemistry A or Chemistry B in Part Ib of the Tripos.
  - (ii) The examination requirements for Half Subject Physics shall consist of:
    - (1) two papers drawn from the core papers in Physics in Part II of the Natural Sciences Tripos;
    - (2) one paper drawn from the optional papers in Physics in Part II of the Natural Sciences Tripos;
    - (3) other assessments offered in a format prescribed under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats.

The Head of the Department of Physics shall announce, not later than the beginning of the Michaelmas Term, the core and optional papers, types of further work and examination requirements, including submission deadlines.

Half Subject Physics may not be offered unless the candidate has previously offered Physics A or Physics B in Part Ib of the Tripos.

- (iii) The examination requirements for Half Subject Earth Sciences shall consist of:
- (1) assessments offered in a format prescribed under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats;
  - (2) practical examinations or continually assessed practical work.

The practical work and examination requirements associated with each paper shall be announced by the Head of the Department of Earth Sciences not later than the beginning of the Michaelmas Term.

Half Subject Earth Sciences may not be offered unless the candidate has previously offered *either* Earth Sciences A *or* Earth Sciences B in Part Ib of the Tripos.

*Physics.*

Each candidate shall offer:

- (a) the four core papers;
- (b) a minimum of three papers chosen from a list of at least four optional papers;
- (c) three or more units of further work;
- (d) a computing exercise.

Each paper shall be of two hours duration.

If a candidate offers four papers from section (b) the Examiners will take into account the three components which they judge to be the best.

If a candidate offers more than three units of further work from section (c) the Examiners will take into account the three components which they judge to be the best.

*Physiology, Development, and Neuroscience.*

Each candidate shall offer:

- (a) four written papers of three hours each;
- (b) a report of a research project.

The report of a research project shall be on a subject which may be either proposed by the candidate and approved by the Course Organiser or chosen by the candidate from a list of approved subjects announced by the Course Organiser not later than the end of the Easter Term in the year preceding the examination. Each candidate shall either obtain the approval of the Course Organiser for the subject proposed, or notify the Course Organiser of the subject chosen from the list, not later than the beginning of the Michaelmas Term. The report shall be submitted to the Examiners not later than the third day of the Full Easter Term in which the examination is to be held.

*Plant Sciences.*

Each candidate shall offer:

- (a) four written papers of three hours each;
- (b) an essay of not more than 2,500 words, excluding tables, figure legends and bibliography;
- (c) a report of a research project, of not more than 5,000 words, excluding tables, figure legends, appendices and bibliography.

The essay shall be on a subject chosen by the candidate from a list of approved subjects announced by the Head of the Department of Plant Sciences and shall be submitted to the Examiners. The dates of announcement of subjects and submission of essays shall be announced by the Head of the Department not later than the second Friday of Full Michaelmas Term.

The report of a research subject shall be on a subject chosen by the candidate from a list of approved subjects announced by the Head of the Department of Plant Sciences and shall be submitted to the Examiners. The dates of announcement of subjects and submission of essays shall be announced by the Head of the Department not later than the second Friday of Full Michaelmas Term.

*Psychology.*

The examination shall comprise two alternative options, Option A and Option B.

For both options, each candidate shall offer four papers as follows:

- (a) For Option A, the four papers will be Papers 1, 2 and 3 and one Option Paper chosen from a list of subjects published by the Department not later than the division of the Lent Term in the year next preceding the examination.
- (b) For Option B, the four papers will be Paper 1, PS2, PS3 and one Option Paper chosen from a list of subjects published by the Department not later than the division of the Lent Term in the year next preceding the examination.

**30.** For each subject in Part II there shall be published a separate class-list, which shall be signed by the Examiners in that subject.

The names of the candidates who obtain honours in each subject or combination of subjects shall be arranged in three classes, of which the second shall be divided into two divisions. The names in the first and third classes, and in each division of the second class, shall be arranged in alphabetical order.

## PART III

**31.** The subjects of examination in Part III shall be as follows:

Astrophysics	History and Philosophy of Science
Biochemistry	Materials Science
Chemistry	Physics
Earth Sciences	Systems Biology
Quantitative Climate and Environmental Science	

**32.** Every candidate for Part III shall offer one of these subjects, and shall satisfy the requirements set out in Regulation 35 for the subject offered. In addition to the requirements set out in Regulation 35, the Committee of Management for the Natural Sciences Tripos may authorise no more than ten additional interdisciplinary papers which shall be included in the examination requirements of one or more subjects. Notice of the interdisciplinary papers shall be given not later than the end of the Easter Term in the year next preceding the examination, provided that the Committee of Management shall have the power of subsequently issuing amendments if they have due reason for doing so and if they are satisfied that no candidate's preparation for the examination is adversely affected. The Committee of Management shall have power:

- (a) in giving notice of the papers, to limit the subjects in which each paper is to be offered;
- (b) to specify the mode of assessment for each paper;
- (c) for each subject, to define or otherwise modify the duration of each examination paper outlined in Regulation 35 for candidates who choose to offer one or more of the interdisciplinary papers.

**33.** Every candidate submitting coursework under Regulation 35 shall be required to sign a declaration that the exercise submitted is their own work, unaided except as may be specified in the declaration, and that it does not contain material that has already been used to any substantial extent for a comparable purpose; if two or more candidates have undertaken work in collaboration, they shall each be required to indicate the extent of their contribution. The Examiners shall have power if they consider that a piece of work submitted for the examination is not sufficiently legible, to require that it be resubmitted in typescript.

**34.** For each subject in Part III the Examiners may, at their discretion, examine a candidate *viva voce*.

**35.** (a) For the following subjects, assessments shall be offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats:

Astrophysics	Materials Science
Biochemistry	Physics
Chemistry	Systems Biology
Earth Sciences	Quantitative Climate and Environmental Science
History and Philosophy of Science	

(b) Additional examination requirements for the particular subjects shall be as follows:

*Earth Sciences*

Each candidate shall offer six papers and any assessed practical work associated with each of those papers.

*Physics*

Each candidate shall offer at least three major topics and at least three minor topics, provided that in place of one or more of the minor topics a candidate may submit approved units of further work (comprising classwork and/or practical work).

The Head of the Department of Physics shall announce not fewer than five major topics and ten minor topics, and the types of further work for the examination, including the form of assessment for each topic or piece of further work, not later than the beginning of the Michaelmas Term.

*Systems Biology*

Each candidate shall offer a practical examination.

*Quantitative Climate and Environmental Science*

Each candidate shall offer four core modules and at least three optional modules, chosen from a list of optional modules.

**36.** For each subject in Part III there shall be published a separate class-list, which shall be signed by the Examiners in that subject. The names of the candidates who obtain honours in each subject shall be arranged in three classes, of which the second shall be divided into two divisions. The names in the first and third classes, and in each division of the second class, shall be arranged in alphabetical order. In arranging the class-list the Examiners for the subject Chemistry in Part III shall take into account the candidate's performance in Part II, where that candidate has been classed in that examination.

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

Unless otherwise stated, the written papers and practical examinations in a subject shall cover all aspects of the course.

## PART II

*Biological and Biomedical Sciences*

The maximum marks allocated to each component shall be as follows:

Major Subject	64
Minor Subject	16
Dissertation	20

*Physical Sciences*

The papers set for the Half Subjects shall either be those set for the Part II subject of the same name or contain a subset of questions from those papers. The maximum marks allocated to each component shall be as follows:

Half Subject	60
Part IB Subject	25
Dissertation	15

<sup>[1]</sup> See also the regulations for Affiliated Students, p. [000].

<sup>[2]</sup> In the year next but one after so obtaining honours in the case of successful candidates in the Preliminary Examinations for Part II of the Natural Sciences Tripos.

<sup>[3]</sup> The relevant authority for this purpose shall be the Faculty Board or comparable authority within whose scope the proposed Part III subject of examination falls, as specified in Regulation 9.

**With effect from 1 October 2026**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Committee of Management for the Natural Sciences Tripos, has approved the amendment of the regulations for the Natural Sciences Tripos to amend the Part III entry requirements for students who have obtained honours in an honours examination other than Part II of the Natural Sciences Tripos, and to amend the titles of certain subjects in Part IA, as follows:

Regulation 5(b).

By amending Regulation 5(b) to add the words ‘in the year next after so obtaining honours’, so it reads as follows:

- (b) a student who has obtained honours or has been deemed to have obtained honours in any honours examination other than Part II of the Natural Sciences Tripos, in the year next after so obtaining honours, provided that they have been given leave to do so by the relevant authority,<sup>[1]</sup> in special circumstances, which the relevant authority shall determine.

<sup>[1]</sup> The relevant authority for this purpose shall be the Faculty Board or comparable authority within whose scope the proposed Part III subject of examination falls, as specified in Regulation 9.

Regulations 9, 15 and 16.

By amending the titles of the following subjects in Part IA in the text of Regulations 9, 15 and 16, as follows:

<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Biology of Cells	Biodiversity, Evolution and Ecology
Evolutionary Biology	Biomedical Sciences
Physiology of Organisms	Biomolecules and Cells
Mathematics	Mathematics for Physical Sciences
Mathematical Biology	Mathematics for Biological Sciences

## Philosophy Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 419)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Philosophy, has approved amendments to the scheme of examination for the Philosophy Tripos to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The full course regulations, incorporating all approved changes in effect at 1 October 2025, are published in full below.

### PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS

1. The Philosophy Tripos shall consist of three Parts: Part IA, Part IB, and Part II. A separate class-list shall be published for each Part.

2. The Faculty Board of Philosophy shall nominate such number of Examiners as they may deem sufficient to examine in each Part of the Tripos. The Faculty Board may also nominate one or more Assessors for each Part of the Tripos. An Assessor may be summoned to meetings of the Examiners for the purpose of consultation and advice, but shall not be entitled to vote.

3. (a) The papers for Part IA shall be as follows:

Paper 1.	Metaphysics
Paper 2.	Ethics and political philosophy
Paper 3.	Meaning (available to candidates for Paper 17 in Part IIA of the Theology, Religion and Philosophy of Religion Tripos)
Paper 4.	Set texts
Paper 5.	Formal methods

Every candidate shall offer Papers 1–5.

(b) The weighting of Paper 5 shall be half that of other papers.

(c) Papers will be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The details of the permitted assessment formats for each paper shall be prescribed by the Faculty Board.

4. (a) The papers for Part IB shall be as follows:

Paper 1.	Knowledge, language and the world
Paper 2.	History of analytic philosophy
Paper 3.	Ethics
Paper 4.	Greek and Roman philosophy
Paper 5.	Early modern philosophy
Paper 6.	Epistemology and metaphysics of science (Paper 5 of Part II of the Natural Sciences Tripos (History and Philosophy of Science))
Paper 7.	Political philosophy
Paper 8.	Introduction to experimental psychology: From brain to cognition (Paper PBS01 in Part IA of the Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos)
Paper 9.	Aesthetics and philosophy of art (available to candidates for Part II of the Classical Tripos and Part II of the Modern and Medieval Languages and Linguistics Tripos)
Paper 10.	Jurisprudence (Paper 37 of Part II of the Law Tripos)
Paper 11.	General paper

(b) Subject to the provision of sub-paragraphs (c) and (d) of this regulation, every candidate for Part IB shall offer Papers 1 and 11, and three papers from Papers 2–10.

(c) No candidate who has previously offered Experimental psychology in Part IB of the Natural Sciences Tripos, or who has previously offered Introduction to Experimental Psychology and Neuroscience in Part IA of the Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos, shall offer Paper 8.

(d) No candidate who offers Paper 7 shall offer Paper 10.

(e) Papers will be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The details of the permitted assessment formats for each paper shall be prescribed by the Faculty Board.

**5. (a)** The papers for Part II shall be as follows:

- Paper 1. Metaphysics
- Paper 2. Philosophy of mind (also serves as Paper O5 of Part II of the Classical Tripos)
- Paper 3. Ethics
- Paper 4. Kant
- Paper 5. Philosophy in the Long Middle Ages (available to candidates for Part II<sub>B</sub> of the Theology, Religion, and Philosophy of Religion Tripos)
- Paper 6. Philosophy of science
- Paper 7. Mathematical logic
- Paper 8. Philosophical logic
- Paper 9. Wittgenstein and his successors
- Paper 10. Political philosophy
- Paper 11. General paper

(b) Subject to the provision of sub-paragraphs (c) and (d) of this regulation, every candidate for Part II shall offer papers as follows:

*either*

- (i) four papers from among Papers 1–10 and the papers specified in the Schedule to these regulations, and a dissertation offered in accordance with sub-paragraph (f) of this regulation;

*or*

- (ii) four papers from among Papers 1–10 and the papers specified in the Schedule to these regulations, and Paper 11.

(c) No candidate who has previously obtained honours in Part II of the Classical Tripos shall offer any paper that they offered in that examination.

(d) No candidate may offer more than two of the papers specified in the Schedule to these Regulations.

(e) Papers will be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The details of the permitted assessment formats for each paper shall be prescribed by the Faculty Board.

(f) A dissertation, which shall be on a topic of philosophical interest approved by the Chair of Examiners, shall be of not more than 8,000 words and (except with the permission of the Chair of Examiners) not less than 6,000 words in length, including footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography. Dissertations shall be submitted to the Chair of Examiners, in accordance with detailed arrangements prescribed by the Faculty Board.

**6.** The Faculty Board shall have power to publish supplementary regulations for the topics included in the several subjects before mentioned. They shall also have power to modify or alter the supplementary regulations from time to time as they see fit, due care being taken that sufficient notice is given of any change, and if it is satisfied that no student's preparation for the examination is adversely affected.

**7.** A student may be a candidate for honours in Part IA if at the time of the examination they have kept one term, provided that three complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence.

**8.** The following may present themselves as candidates for honours in Part IB:

- (a) a student who has not obtained honours in an Honours Examination, provided that they have kept four terms and that six complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence;
- (b) a student who has obtained honours in Part IA of the Philosophy Tripos or in another Honours Examination, in the year next after so obtaining honours, provided that twelve complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence.

**9.** The following may present themselves as candidates for honours in Part II:

- (a) a student who has obtained honours in Part IB of the Philosophy Tripos in the year after so obtaining honours, provided that at the time of the examination the student has kept seven terms, and that twelve complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence;
- (b) a student who has obtained honours in another Honours Examination in the year next after or next but one after so obtaining honours, provided that at the time of the examination the student has kept seven terms, and that fifteen complete terms have not passed after their first term of residence;
- (c) an Affiliated Student as allowed by the Faculty Board of Philosophy in accordance with the regulations for Affiliated Students.<sup>[1]</sup>

**10.** No student shall be a candidate for more than one Part in the same year. No student who has been a candidate for any Part shall again be a candidate for the same Part.

**11.** In each Part, the names of the candidates who obtain honours shall be arranged in three classes, of which the second shall be divided into two divisions. The names in the first and third classes, and in each division of the second class, shall be arranged in alphabetical order. Each class-list may show, by some convenient mark, whether a candidate has passed with special distinction.

#### *SCHEDULE*

##### PAPERS FROM OTHER TRIPOSES THAT MAY BE TAKEN IN PART II

A candidate for Part II of the Philosophy Tripos may take one or two of the following papers:

*Classical Tripos, Part II*

*Group B (Philosophy)*

B1. Plato.

B2. Aristotle.

B3. A prescribed subject or period in Greek and Roman philosophy.

<sup>[1]</sup> See the regulations for Affiliated Students, p. [000].

## Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos

### PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS

*(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 272)*

#### **With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty of Biology, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the Preliminary Examination for Part II of the Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos, to update Paper details to reflect those in the Tripos regulations and to remove the Supplementary Regulations as follows:

Regulation 2.

By replacing the paper number and details for PBS 3 and PBS 4 with those for PBS04 and PBS05, as follows:

PBS04 Behavioural and cognitive neuroscience

PBS05 Developmental psychology

And by updating the references to PBS 1 and PBS 2 in the final sentence to read PBS01 and PBS02.

Supplementary Regulations.

By removing the Supplementary Regulations in their entirety.

### TRIPOS REGULATIONS

*(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 422 and Reporter, 6777, 2024–25, p. 434)*

#### **With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Biology, has also approved amendments to the regulations for the Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos to amend the title of Paper PBS01 and to allow examiners the option to examine students *viva voce* on their dissertation and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls to confirm originality, as follows:

Regulation 12.

By amending the title of Paper PBS01 *from* 'Introduction to experimental psychology and neuroscience' *to* 'Introduction to experimental psychology: From brain to cognition'.

Regulation 22.

By adding a new sub-section (*d*) to Regulation 22 to read as follows:

(*d*) The Examiners shall have power to examine a candidate *viva voce* on their dissertation and on the general field of knowledge in which it falls.

## Veterinary Sciences Tripos

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 428)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Biology, has approved amendments to the regulations for the Veterinary Sciences Tripos to amend the scheme of examination and include references to assessments under the Ordinance on Assessment Formats. The Faculty Board has also approved the removal of the Supplementary Regulations for the Tripos. The amendments made are as follows:

Regulations 15, 20.

By amending the text of Regulations 15 and 20 so they read as follows:

**15.** The examination in each subject listed in Regulation 14 shall comprise three sections. Section I and Section III shall consist of assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board; Section II shall consist of a practical element.

The examination in Homeostasis shall additionally include reports of practical work, which shall be submitted to the Examiners by the dates published in the practical handbook. In assigning marks for the examination, the Examiners may take account of the reports.

**20.** The examination in each subject listed in Regulation 19 shall comprise three sections. Section I and Section III shall consist of assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board; Section II shall consist of a practical element.<sup>[1]</sup>

<sup>[1]</sup> In each subject of Part Ib, Sections I and II of the examination also serve as the examination in the corresponding subject of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination.

### SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS.

By removing the Supplementary Regulations for the degree in their entirety.

## Master of Corporate Law

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 459)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Law, has approved the amendment of the regulations for the degree of Master of Corporate Law to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats and update the scheme of examination and paper details, as follows:

Regulations 6, 7, 8 and 9.

By amending the text of Regulations 6, 7, 8 and 9 so they read as follows:

**6.** The M.C.L. Examination shall consist of not more than fifteen subjects, prescribed by the Faculty Board of Law. Each paper shall be designated as either a full paper or a half-paper. Before the end of the Easter Term each year the Faculty Board shall announce the subjects prescribed for the M.C.L. Examination to be held in the academic year next following, and shall give notice of the form of assessment for each subject, which shall be offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

**7.** The Faculty Board shall have power to restrict candidates' choice of subjects, and their choice of questions within a paper; any such restriction shall be announced not later than the second Friday of the Full Michaelmas Term next preceding the examination.

**8.** Courses prescribed by the Faculty Board under Regulation 6 shall be published in the *Reporter* by the first Monday in the August next preceding the academic year in which those courses are to be conducted. Any such course prescribed by the Faculty Board may be withdrawn by the Board upon notice given in the *Reporter* within the first three weeks of Full Michaelmas Term in the academic year in which the course was to have been conducted. Each candidate who has applied to take part in a course so withdrawn shall be informed of its withdrawal by the Secretary of the Faculty Board.

**9.** Each candidate shall offer:

- (a) two full papers prescribed for assessment under Regulation 6; one of which being in a subject designated by the Faculty Board as compulsory for all candidates; and
- (b) four half-papers prescribed for assessment under Regulation 6.

## Master of Law

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 460)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Law, has approved the amendment of the regulations for the degree of Master of Law to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as follows:

Regulations 2, 11 and 13.

By amending the text of Regulations 2, 11 and 13 so they read as follows:

**2.** (a) Before the end of the Easter Term each year the Faculty Board shall announce the subjects prescribed for the examination to be held in the academic year next following, and shall give notice of the form of the examination for each subject, which shall be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Faculty Board.

(b) At the same time, the Faculty Board shall prescribe and give notice of those subjects, if any, which will be assessed by examination only.

(c) At the same time, if a seminar paper is one of the subjects prescribed under Regulation 1 for the academic year next following, the Faculty Board shall prescribe and give notice of those courses (not exceeding six in number) in which seminars are to be held that year.

**11.** A candidate who offers a dissertation under Regulation 4(a)(ii) or 4(a)(iii), may be called for *viva voce* examination in connection with such dissertation.

**13.** Examiners for the LL.M. Examination shall be nominated by the Faculty Board of Law; provided that if there is any candidate in International Law one of the Examiners shall be the Whewell Professor or a deputy nominated by the Whewell Professor. The Faculty Board shall nominate such number of Examiners as they shall deem sufficient. A seminar course prescribed under Regulation 2(c) shall be assessed by the Assessors appointed by the Faculty Board and shall report to the Examiners a mark for each candidate in that course (equivalent to the mark for a paper in the examination) based upon their assessment of the candidate's dissertation. The provisions of the regulations for the Law Tripos relating to the appointment and duties of Assessors shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the LL.M. Examination.

Regulations 3(a), 9(h) and 9(i).

By amending the text of Regulations 3(a), 9(h) and 9(i) so they read as follows:

**3.** (a) The Faculty Board shall have power to restrict candidates' choice of subjects, and their choice of questions within a paper; any such restriction shall be announced not later than the second Friday of the Full Michaelmas Term next preceding the examination.

**[9]** (h) A candidate for the LL.M. Examination shall submit any dissertation they are offering under Regulation 4(a)(ii) or 4(a)(iii) to the Secretary of the Faculty Board no later than 1 May next preceding that examination. A candidate who submits a dissertation to the Secretary of the Faculty Board after this date may be penalised by the Examiners of the LL.M. Examination.

(i) Any dissertation submitted under Regulation 4(a)(ii) or 4(a)(iii) shall be typewritten.

## Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 464)

### With effect from 1 January 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine, has approved the amendment of the regulations for the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery to amend Regulation 15 to specify the revised timing of the written component for Part I of the Final M.B. Examination for the Cambridge Graduate Course in Medicine. The revised Regulation 15 reads as follows:

**15.** The Final M.B. Examination shall consist of three Parts: Parts I, II and III. Each Part shall consist of a number of written and clinical components. The number of components shall be determined by the Faculty of Clinical Medicine, and a list of the components, as well as a timetable for each sitting of the examinations, shall be published in the Michaelmas Term. Except by permission of the Faculty Board in exceptional circumstances, there shall be no more than two sittings of Part I, Part II and the written components of Part III in any calendar year and no more than one sitting of the clinical components of Part III. The examinations shall normally be held in accordance with the following timetable.

The clinical component(s) of Part I shall be held in June or July and also in September or October. Except for the Cambridge Graduate Course students, the written component(s) of Part I shall be held in June or July and also in September or October. For Cambridge Graduate Course students, the written component(s) of Part I shall be held in September or October, and also in November or December.

Part II shall be held in the Easter Term and also in September or October. The written component(s) of Part III shall be held in January and also in the Lent Term. The clinical component(s) of Part III shall be held in the Easter Term.

Candidates for Part III shall also be required to undertake the Prescribing Safety Assessment, which shall be held in the Lent and Easter Terms. They shall also be required to undertake a clinical apprenticeship, which shall take place following Part III clinical component examinations. Except by special permission of the Faculty Board in exceptional circumstances, students must pass the Prescribing Safety Assessment and must satisfactorily complete the clinical apprenticeship before the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery can be awarded.

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine, has approved amendments to the scheme of examination for the Second M.B. Examination to include references to assessment in formats permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The Faculty Board has additionally approved the removal of the supplementary regulations. Amendments have been made as follows:

Regulations 10 and 11.

By amending the text of Regulations 10 and 11 to read as follows:

**10.** The subjects of the Second M.B. Examination, which shall be assessed in formats permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Faculty Board, shall be as follows:

- Biology of Disease (BOD)
- Foundations of Evidence Based Practice (FEBP)
- Functional Architecture of the Body (FAB)
- Head and Neck Anatomy (HNA)
- Homeostasis (HOM)
- Human Reproduction (HR)
- Mechanisms of Drug Action (MODA)
- Molecules in Medical Science (MIMS)
- Neurobiology with Human Behaviour (NHB)
- Preparing for Patients (PFP)
- Social and Ethical Context of Health and Illness (SECHI)

provided that a candidate taking the Cambridge Graduate Course in Medicine shall not be examined in the subject PFP.

**11.** The Second M.B. Examination shall be held as follows:

- (a) The examinations in BOD, FAB, HOM, HR, MIMS, MODA, and NHB shall be held twice a year, as follows:
  - (i) in the Easter Term, on the dates prescribed for Part IA and Part IB of the Medical Sciences Tripos;<sup>[1]</sup>
  - (ii) in September, beginning on the Monday next but one before the first day of the Michaelmas Term.
- (b) The examination in FEBP and HNA shall be held twice a year on the last day of Full Lent Term and in the week beginning on the Monday next but one before the first day of Michaelmas Term.
- (c) Coursework for the assessment of any subject of the Second M.B. Examination shall be submitted in accordance with detailed arrangements approved by the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine after consultation with the Faculty Board of Biology.

<sup>[1]</sup> In this sitting of the Second M.B. Examination the papers set are Sections I and II of the papers set in the corresponding subjects of Part IA and Part IB of the Medical Sciences Tripos.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS.

By removing the Supplementary Regulations for the degree in their entirety.

### **Asian and Middle Eastern Studies (Research) for the M.Phil. Degree**

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 494)

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course of study in Asian and Middle Eastern Studies (Research) for the degree of Master of Philosophy, as follows.

#### *PATHWAYS*

##### **With effect from 1 October 2025**

By amending the title of the pathway ‘Korean’ to read ‘Korean Studies’.

##### **With effect from 1 October 2026**

By adding a footnote to suspend for the 2026–27 and 2027–28 academic years the pathway in ‘South Asian Studies’.

### **American History for the M.Phil. Degree**

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 502)

##### **With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of History, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in American History for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the scheme of examination to remove the core course title from the wording, as follows:

Regulation 1(b).

By removing the core course title from Regulation 1(b) so it reads as follows:

- (b) an essay of not less than 3,000 and not more than 4,000 words chosen by the candidate from a prescribed list of essay questions announced by the Faculty not later than the start of the Michaelmas Term and which falls within the field of study of the core course;

## Anthropocene Studies for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 503)

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Earth Sciences and Geography, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Anthropocene Studies for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, remove the residential element and reduce assessment with effect from 1 October 2026. The course regulations will read as follows:

#### ANTHROPOCENE STUDIES

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Anthropocene Studies for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:
  - (a) assessments specified in the list published by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Earth Sciences and Geography under Regulation 2 below;
  - (b) a dissertation of not more than 12,000 words on a topic approved by the Degree Committee and based on work carried out by the candidate in one or more institutions approved by the Degree Committee.
2. The Degree Committee shall publish not later than the end of the Easter Term each year the list of assessments to be held in the following academic year, which will comprise assessments permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Degree Committee.
3. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on any or all of the assessed components.

## Asian and Middle Eastern Studies for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 504)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, has approved amendments to the scheme of examination for the course of study in Asian and Middle Eastern Studies for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study. The opportunity has also been taken to make further amendments to the special regulations for the course by amending the pathway title 'Korean' to read 'Korean Studies' and making a minor textual amendment, as follows:

#### ASIAN AND MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Asian and Middle Eastern Studies for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:
  - (a) Assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, which shall fall within one of the pathways specified at the end of the regulations;
  - (b) a dissertation of not more than 15,000 words, including footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee.
2. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on the dissertation and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls.

#### PATHWAYS

Chinese Studies	Japanese Studies
Classical Islamic History and Culture	Korean Studies
Hebrew and Pre-modern Jewish History and Culture	Modern Middle Eastern Studies
Hebrew and Semitic Studies	Muslim-Jewish Relations

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, has approved amendments to the regulations for the course of study in Asian and Middle Eastern Studies for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to add a new pathway, as follows.

#### PATHWAYS

By adding 'East Asian Popular Culture Across Time' to the list of available pathways.

## Bioscience Enterprise for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 506)

**With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Engineering, has approved the withdrawal of the course of study in Bioscience Enterprise for the degree of Master of Philosophy with effect from 1 October 2025.

## Brain Health and Disease: Clinical Neurosciences for the M.Phil. Degree

**With effect from 1 October 2026**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, has approved Brain Health and Disease: Clinical Neurosciences as a course of study for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study with effect from 1 October 2026. Special regulations for the examination have been approved as follows:

### BRAIN HEALTH AND DISEASE: CLINICAL NEUROSCIENCES

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Brain Health and Disease: Clinical Neurosciences for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:

- (a) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine;
- (b) a dissertation, of not more than 10,000 words in length excluding tables, footnotes, appendices and bibliography, on an individual research project on a topic proposed by the candidate and subject to the approval of the Degree Committee. The dissertation shall comprise a literature review, an account of the methods used, and the outcomes of the research project;
- (c) An oral presentation on the research project.

2. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on the work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1(a) and on the general field of knowledge within which such work falls.

## Conservation Leadership for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 508)

**With effect from 1 October 2026**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Earth Sciences and Geography, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Conservation Leadership for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the scheme of examination to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats and reduce assessment with effect from 1 October 2026. The course regulations read as follows:

### CONSERVATION LEADERSHIP

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Conservation Leadership for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:

- (a) assessments specified in the list published by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Earth Sciences and Geography under Regulation 2 below;
- (b) three pieces of work based on a placement in one or more institutions approved by the Degree Committee, as follows:
  - (i) a report of not more than 4,000 words in length;
  - (ii) a piece of coursework of not more than 6,000 words in length;
  - (iii) an individual oral presentation.

2. The Degree Committee shall publish not later than the end of the Easter Term each year the list of assessments to be held in the following academic year, which will comprise assessments permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Degree Committee.

3. Assessment for any part of the course may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral presentation on any or all of the assessed components.

## Development Studies for the M.Phil. Degree

*(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 510)*

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Department of Politics and International Studies, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Development Studies for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the dissertation word count, as follows:

Regulation 1(c).

By amending the information on the dissertation word count in Regulation 1(c) so it reads as follows:

- (c) a dissertation of not more than 15,000 words in length, including tables, footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee.

## Digital Policy for the M.Phil. Degree

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy, has approved Digital Policy as a course of study for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study with effect from 1 October 2026. Special regulations for the examination have been approved as follows:

#### DIGITAL POLICY

1. The scheme of examination for the course of study in Digital Policy for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:
  - (a) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy;
  - (b) a dissertation of not less than 10,000 words and not more than 15,000 words in length, including footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee.
2. The examination may, at the discretion of the Examiners, include an oral examination on the dissertation and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls.

## Early Modern History for the M.Phil. Degree

*(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 511)*

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of History, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Early Modern History for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the scheme of examination to remove the core course title from the wording, as follows:

Regulation 1(b).

By removing the core course title from Regulation 1(b) so it reads as follows:

- (b) an essay of not less than 3,000 and not more than 4,000 words chosen by the candidate from a prescribed list of essay questions announced by the Faculty not later than the start of the Michaelmas Term and which falls within the field of study of the core course;

## Economic and Social History for the M.Phil. Degree

*(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 512)*

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of History, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Economic and Social History for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the scheme of examination to remove the core course title from the wording, as follows:

Regulation 1(c).

By removing the core course title from Regulation 1(c) so it reads as follows:

- (c) an essay of not less than 3,000 and not more than 4,000 words chosen by the candidate from a prescribed list of essay questions announced by the Faculty not later than the start of the Michaelmas Term and which falls within the field of study of the core course;

## Economic Research for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 512)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Economics, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Economic Research for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the scheme of examination to refer to the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as follows:

Regulation 1(a).

By revising the text of Regulation 1(a) so it reads as follows:

- (a) six compulsory and one additional module, selected from a list of core and optional modules published by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Economics, which shall each be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Degree Committee;

## Economics for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 513)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Economics, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Economics for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the scheme of examination to refer to the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as follows:

Regulation 1.

By revising the text of Regulation 1 so it reads as follows:

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Economics for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of three compulsory and four additional modules, selected from a list of core and optional modules published by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Economics, which shall each be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Degree Committee.

## Electrical and Electronic Engineering for the M.Phil. Degree

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Engineering, has approved Electrical and Electronic Engineering as a course of study for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study with effect from 1 October 2026. Special regulations for the examination have been approved as follows:

#### ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING

1. The scheme of examination for the course of study in Electrical and Electronic Engineering for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:

- (a) eight compulsory modules prescribed in a list published by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Engineering not later than the end of the Easter Term of the academic year preceding that in which the examination is to be held; and
- (b) a portfolio of research skills assessments including a researcher development course, a research seminar course and a dissertation of not more than 15,000 words in length, including footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee. The assessment of the dissertation will include an oral or poster presentation of the project work on which the dissertation is based.

2. In publishing the list of modules, the Degree Committee shall announce the form of examination for each module, which shall be either a written paper, or one or more pieces of coursework or other exercises, or a combination of these.

3. Candidates who have in the past been candidates for honours in Part IIB of the Engineering Tripos may not take modules in the list published by the Degree Committee under Regulation 1(a) in which they were examined in Part IIB of the Engineering Tripos.

4. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on any or all of the components of the examination specified under Regulation 1(a) and (b) above, and on the general field of knowledge within which they fall.

## Environmental Policy for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 515)

**With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Environmental Policy for the degree of Master of Philosophy to amend the scheme of examination to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The course regulations read as follows:

### ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Environmental Policy for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall be as follows:

- (a) one research methods module;
- (b) two pathway core modules;
- (c) three optional modules;
- (d) a research, design and structure module, which shall include a dissertation of not more than 12,000 words in length, including diagrams, footnotes, tables and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a topic approved by the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy.

2. The Degree Committee shall publish, not later than the end of the Easter Term each year, a list of modules for examination to be held in the academic year next following. The list shall include the research methods module, two pathway core modules, and no fewer than four optional modules (the Degree Committee may specify that a candidate shall offer one or more specific modules). In publishing the list the Degree Committee shall announce the mode of examination for each module which shall be offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee. The Degree Committee shall have power to withdraw any optional module by notice in the *Reporter* not later than the end of the Michaelmas Term; the Secretary of the Degree Committee shall notify candidates of the withdrawal of any subject for which they have entered.

3. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on the work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1 and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls.

## Ethics of Artificial Intelligence, Data and Algorithms for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 516)

**With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty Board of Philosophy, has approved amendments to the scheme of examination for the course of study in Ethics of Artificial Intelligence, Data and Algorithms for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study. The opportunity has also been taken to make further amendments to the special regulations for the course to clarify dissertation wording and amend the name of the Degree Committee. The course regulations have been amended to read as follows:

### ETHICS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, DATA AND ALGORITHMS

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Ethics of Artificial Intelligence (A.I.), Data and Algorithms for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:

- (a) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Arts and Humanities Interdisciplinary Education Committee;
- (b) a dissertation of not more than 12,000 words in length on a subject approved by the Interdisciplinary Education Committee

2. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on the dissertation and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls; such an oral examination may include questions relating to one or more of the other pieces of work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1.

## Finance and Economics for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 517)

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Economics, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Finance and Economics for the degree of Master of Philosophy to amend the scheme of examination to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, with effect from 1 October 2025, and to remove the dissertation element, with effect from 1 October 2026, as follows:

### With effect from 1 October 2025

By amending the course regulations so they read as follows:

#### FINANCE AND ECONOMICS

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Finance and Economics for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:

(a) six compulsory and two additional modules, selected from a list of core and optional modules published by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Economics, which shall be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee;

(b) a dissertation of not more than 10,000 words in length on a subject approved by the Degree Committee.

2. The list of modules shall be published by the Degree Committee not later than the end of the Easter Term of the academic year preceding that in which the examination is to be held, provided that the Degree Committee shall have power to give notice of additional optional modules not later than the end of the Michaelmas Term. A candidate may not offer a module that they have taken in any other University examination.

3. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral and/or written examination on the work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1, and on the general field of knowledge within which such work falls.

### With effect from 1 October 2026

By revising the text of Regulation 1 to read as follows:

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Finance and Economics for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of six compulsory and two additional modules, selected from a list of core and optional modules published by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Economics, which shall be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee.

## Global History of Art and Architecture for the M.Phil. Degree

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Architecture and History of Art, has approved Global History of Art and Architecture as a course of study for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study with effect from 1 October 2026. Special regulations for the examination have been approved as follows:

#### GLOBAL HISTORY OF ART AND ARCHITECTURE

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year full-time or two-year part-time course of study in Global History of Art and Architecture for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:

(a) a dissertation of not more than 15,000 words in length, including footnotes but excluding appendices and bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Architecture and History of Art; and

(b) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee.

2. The examination may, at the discretion of the Examiners, include an oral examination on the dissertation and the assessments submitted by the candidate and on the general field of knowledge within which they fall.

## History of Art and Architecture for the M.Phil. Degree

*(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 520)*

### **With effect from 1 October 2026**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Architecture and History of Art, has approved the withdrawal of the course of study in History of Art and Architecture for the degree of Master of Philosophy with effect from 1 October 2026.

## Holocene Climates for the M.Phil. Degree

*(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 520)*

### **With effect from 1 October 2026**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Earth Sciences and Geography, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Holocene Climates for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to change the name of the course to 'Past and Future Climates', amend the scheme of examination to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, remove the residential element and reduce assessment with effect from 1 October 2026. The course regulations read as follows:

#### PAST AND FUTURE CLIMATES

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Past and Future Climates for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:
  - (a) assessments specified in the list published by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Earth Sciences and Geography under Regulation 2 below;
  - (b) a dissertation of not more than 12,000 words on a topic approved by the Degree Committee and based on work carried out by the candidate in one or more institutions approved by the Degree Committee.
2. The Degree Committee shall publish not later than the end of the Easter Term each year the list of assessments to be held in the following academic year, which will comprise assessments permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Degree Committee.
3. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on any or all of the assessed components.

## Land Economy Research for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 522)

**With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Land Economy Research for the degree of Master of Philosophy to amend the scheme of examination to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The course regulations read as follows:

### LAND ECONOMY RESEARCH

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Land Economy Research for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall be as follows:

- (a) one research methods module;
- (b) one core or two optional modules chosen by the candidate with the approval of the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy from the list of modules published under Regulation 2 below.
- (c) a dissertation of not more than 20,000 words in length, including diagrams, footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a topic approved by the Degree Committee.

2. The Degree Committee shall publish, not later than the end of the Easter Term each year, a list of modules for examination to be held in the academic year next following. In publishing the list the Degree Committee shall announce the method of examination of each module which shall be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee. The Degree Committee shall have power to withdraw any optional module by notice in the *Reporter* not later than the end of the Michaelmas Term; the Secretary of the Degree Committee shall notify candidates of the withdrawal of any subject for which they have entered.

3. The examination shall include an oral examination on the work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1 and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls; save that the Examiners may, at their discretion, waive the requirements for an oral examination.

4. In order to proceed to the final examination, candidates must satisfactorily attend and complete the following, as prescribed by the Degree Committee:

- (a) six modules run by the Social Sciences' Research Methods Centre (SSRMC).

## Machine Learning and Machine Intelligence for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 523)

**With effect from 1 October 2026**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Engineering, has approved amendments to the special regulations for the course of study in Machine Learning and Machine Intelligence for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to add a new pathway to the course, as follows.

### PATHWAYS

By adding 'Biological Learning' to the list of available pathways.

## Medieval History for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 524)

**With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of History, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Medieval History for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the scheme of examination to remove the core course title from the wording, as follows:

Regulation 1(c).

By removing the core course title from Regulation 1(c) so it reads as follows:

- (c) an essay of not less than 3,000 and not more than 4,000 words chosen by the candidate from a prescribed list of essay questions announced by the Faculty not later than the start of the Michaelmas Term and which falls within the field of study of the core course;

## Modern British History for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 525)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of History, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Modern British History for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the scheme of examination to remove the core course title from the wording, as follows:

Regulation 1(b).

By removing the core course title from Regulation 1(b) so it reads as follows:

- (b) an essay of not less than 3,000 and not more than 4,000 words chosen by the candidate from a prescribed list of essay questions announced by the Faculty not later than the start of the Michaelmas Term and which falls within the field of study of the core course;

## Modern European History for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 526)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of History, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Modern European History for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the scheme of examination to remove the core course title from the wording, as follows:

Regulation 1(b).

By removing the core course title from Regulation 1(b) so it reads as follows:

- (b) an essay of not less than 3,000 and not more than 4,000 words chosen by the candidate from a prescribed list of essay questions announced by the Faculty not later than the start of the Michaelmas Term and which falls within the field of study of the core course;

## Molecular Mechanisms of Human Disease for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 526 and *Reporter*, 6790, 2024–25, p. 671)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, has approved amendments to the special regulations for the course of study in Molecular Mechanisms of Human Disease for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to clarify the dissertation word count. The regulations now read as follows:

#### MOLECULAR MECHANISMS OF HUMAN DISEASE

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Molecular Mechanisms of Human Disease for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:

- (a) a dissertation, of no more than 10,000 words excluding tables, footnotes, appendices and bibliography, on an individual research project on a topic proposed by the candidate and subject to the approval of the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, comprising
  - (i) a literature review of the relevant field providing background to and context for the research project; and
  - (ii) an account of the methods and outcomes of the research project;
- (b) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Degree Committee.

2. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on the work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1 and on the general field of knowledge within which such work falls.

## Multi-Disciplinary Gender Studies for the M.Phil. Degree

*(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 527)*

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Department of Politics and International Studies, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Multi-Disciplinary Gender Studies for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the dissertation word count, as follows:

Regulation 1(b).

By amending the dissertation word count in Regulation 1(b) so it reads as follows:

- (b) a dissertation of not more than 18,000 words in length, excluding footnotes, tables, appendices and bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee.

## NeuroAI and Intelligent Systems for the M.Phil. Degree

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, has approved NeuroAI and Intelligent Systems as a course of study for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study with effect from 1 October 2026. Special regulations for the examination have been approved as follows:

#### NEUROAI AND INTELLIGENT SYSTEMS

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in NeuroAI and Intelligent Systems for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:

- (a) an essay of no more than 5,000 words in length, to be accompanied by a codebook, and an oral examination on a topic chosen from a list published by the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine. The topics available for examination and the arrangements for the submission of the work shall be announced by the Degree Committee no later than the end of the Easter term preceding the examination;
- (b) a dissertation on an individual research project, on a topic proposed by the candidate and subject to the approval of the Degree Committee, comprising
  - (i) a literature review of the relevant field providing background to and context for the research project, of no more than 5,000 words in length excluding tables, footnotes, appendices and bibliography; and
  - (ii) an account of the methods and outcomes of the research project of not more than 5,000 words in length excluding tables, footnotes, appendices and bibliography.

2. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on any of the work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1 and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls.

## Planning, Growth and Regeneration for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 530)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Planning, Growth and Regeneration for the degree of Master of Philosophy to amend the scheme of examination to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The course regulations read as follows:

#### PLANNING, GROWTH AND REGENERATION

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Planning, Growth and Regeneration for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall be as follows:

- (a) one research methods module;
- (b) two pathway core modules;
- (c) three optional modules;
- (d) a research, design and structure module, which shall include a dissertation of not more than 12,000 words in length, including diagrams, footnotes, tables and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a topic approved by the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy.

2. The Degree Committee shall publish, not later than the end of the Easter Term each year, a list of modules for examination to be held in the academic year next following. The list shall include the research methods module, two pathway core modules, and no fewer than four optional modules (the Degree Committee may specify that a candidate shall offer one or more specific modules). In publishing the list the Degree Committee shall announce the mode of examination for each module which shall be offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee. The Degree Committee shall have power to withdraw any optional module by notice in the *Reporter* not later than the end of the Michaelmas Term; the Secretary of the Degree Committee shall notify candidates of the withdrawal of any subject for which they have entered.

3. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on the work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1 and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls.

## Politics and International Studies for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 531)

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Department of Politics and International Studies, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Politics and International Studies for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the dissertation word count, as follows:

Regulation 1(c).

By amending the dissertation word count in Regulation 1(c) so it reads as follows:

- (c) a dissertation of not more than 15,000 words in length, including tables, footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee.

## Public Policy for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 532)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committees for the Department of Politics and International Studies and the Department of Land Economy, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Public Policy for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to change the Degree Committee responsible for the course, as follows:

Regulation 1(a).

By replacing the reference in Regulation 1(a) to the 'Degree Committee for the Department of Politics and International Studies' to one for the 'Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy'.

**With effect from 1 October 2026**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Public Policy for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the scheme of examination to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats with effect from 1 October 2026. The course regulations will read as follows:

## PUBLIC POLICY

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Public Policy for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:
  - (a) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy; and
  - (b) a dissertation of not less than 10,000 words and not more than 15,000 words in length, including footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee.
2. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on the dissertation and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls.

**Real Estate Finance for the M.Phil. Degree**

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 533)

**With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Real Estate Finance for the degree of Master of Philosophy to amend the scheme of examination to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The course regulations read as follows:

## REAL ESTATE FINANCE

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Real Estate Finance for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall be as follows:
  - (a) one research methods module;
  - (b) two pathway core modules;
  - (c) three optional modules;
  - (d) a research, design and structure module, which shall include a dissertation of not more than 12,000 words in length, including diagrams, footnotes, tables and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a topic approved by the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy.
2. The Degree Committee shall publish, not later than the end of the Easter Term each year, a list of modules for the examination to be held in the academic year next following. The list shall include the research methods module, two pathway core modules, and no fewer than four optional modules (the Degree Committee may specify that a candidate shall offer one or more specific modules). In publishing the list the Degree Committee shall announce the mode of examination for each module which shall be offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee. The Degree Committee shall have power to withdraw any optional module by notice in the *Reporter* not later than the end of the Michaelmas Term; the Secretary of the Degree Committee shall notify candidates of the withdrawal of any subject for which they have entered.
3. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on the work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1 and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls.

## Therapeutic Sciences for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 537 and *Reporter*, 6790, 2024–25, p. 671)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Biology, has approved amendments to the special regulations for the course in Therapeutic Sciences for the degree of Master of Philosophy to broaden inclusions to the dissertation word length. The special regulations for the course, including the amendment to Regulation 1(b), now read as follows:

#### THERAPEUTIC SCIENCES

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Therapeutic Sciences for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall be as follows:

- (a) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Biology; and
- (b) a dissertation not exceeding 10,000 words in length, including tables, figure legends, footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee and based on work carried out by the candidate in a relevant commercial or academic environment at one or more institutions approved by the Degree Committee.

2. The examination shall include an oral examination on the dissertation and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls and on the other work submitted by the candidate. The oral examination shall be compulsory for all candidates falling on the boundaries between grades. For all other candidates, the Examiners may, at their discretion, waive the requirement for an oral examination.

## Translational Biomedical Research for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 537)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committees for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, has approved the withdrawal of the course in Translational Biomedical Research for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study with effect from 1 October 2025.

## Translational Medical Research for the M.Phil. Degree

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, has approved Translational Medical Research as a course of study for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study with effect from 1 October 2026. Special regulations for the examination have been approved as follows:

#### TRANSLATIONAL MEDICAL RESEARCH

1. The scheme of examination for the one-year course of study in Translational Medical Research for the degree of Master of Philosophy shall consist of:

- (a) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Format as prescribed by the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine; and
- (b) a dissertation on an individual research project, on a topic proposed by the candidate and subject to the approval of the Degree Committee, comprising
  - (i) a literature review of the relevant field providing background to and context for the research project, of no more than 5,000 words in length excluding tables, footnotes, appendices and bibliography; and
  - (ii) an account of the methods and outcomes of the research project, of not more than 5,000 words in length excluding tables, footnotes, appendices and bibliography.

2. The examination may include, at the discretion of the Examiners, an oral examination on the work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1 and on the general field of knowledge within which such work falls.

## World History for the M.Phil. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 538)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of History, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in World History for the degree of Master of Philosophy by advanced study to amend the scheme of examination to remove the core course title from the wording, as follows:

Regulation 1(b).

By removing the core course title from Regulation 1(b) so it reads as follows:

- (b) an essay of not less than 3,000 and not more than 4,000 words chosen by the candidate from a prescribed list of essay questions announced by the Faculty not later than the start of the Michaelmas Term and which falls within the field of study of the core course;

## Social Anthropology for the M.Res. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 544)

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Departments of Archaeology, Social Anthropology and Sociology, has approved the continued suspension of entry to the course of study in Social Anthropology for the degree of Master of Research in the 2026–27 academic year.

## Architecture for the M.St. Degree

### With effect from 1 October 2026

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Architecture and History of Art and the Strategic Committee of the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education, has approved Architecture as a course of study for the degree of Master of Studies. Amendments to the Schedule of courses approved for flexible study and special regulations for the course have been approved as follows:

#### GENERAL REGULATIONS: SCHEDULE

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 548)

By adding ‘Architecture’ to the list of courses approved for flexible periods of study.

#### SPECIAL REGULATIONS

By inserting the following as special regulations for the course:

#### ARCHITECTURE

1. The course of study in Architecture for the degree of Master of Studies shall be of up to thirty-seven months’ duration.
2. The scheme of examination shall consist of:
  - (a) one essay, of not more than 5,000 words in length (including footnotes but excluding bibliography), which shall be chosen by the candidate from a list of topics determined by the Department of Architecture and approved by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Architecture and History of Art;
  - (b) five group design exercises, each assessed by presentations and submitted portfolios;
  - (c) two written examinations, one on Legislative Framework and the other on Procurement;
  - (d) an individual design project, on a topic chosen by the candidate and subject to the approval of the Degree Committee, to be assessed by a presentation and a submitted portfolio.
2. At the discretion of the Examiners, the examination may include an oral examination on any of the work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 2.
3. The Examiners may recommend to the Degree Committee that it recommends to the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education the award of a Postgraduate Certificate in Architectural Studies to a candidate who has satisfactorily completed two or more of the four parts of the examination specified under Regulation 2 but who fails to reach the standard required for the award of the degree.

## Architecture (Degree Apprenticeship) for the M.St. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 550)

**With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Architecture and History of Art and the Strategic Committee of the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education, has approved amendments to the scheme of examination for the course of study in Architecture for the degree of Master of Studies (Degree Apprenticeship) in response to changes in accreditation by the Architects Registration Board. The revised course regulations read as follows:

### ARCHITECTURE (DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP)

1. The scheme of examination for the course of study in Architecture for the degree of Master of Studies (Degree Apprenticeship) shall consist of:
  - (a) one essay, of not more than 5,000 words in length (including footnotes but excluding bibliography), which shall be chosen by the candidate from a list of topics determined by the Department of Architecture and approved by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Architecture and History of Art;
  - (b) five group design exercises, each assessed by presentations and submitted portfolios;
  - (c) two written examinations, one on Legislative Framework and the other on Procurement;
  - (d) an individual design project, on a topic chosen by the candidate and subject to the approval of the Degree Committee, to be assessed by a presentation and a submitted portfolio; and
  - (e) the submission of evidence that the Architects Registration Board's requirements for professional Practice Outcomes have been met.
2. Candidates must have passed all the components listed in Regulations 1(a)–1(d) before they can be assessed under Regulation 1(e).
3. At the discretion of the Examiners the examination may include an oral examination on any of the work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1.
4. The Examiners may recommend to the Degree Committee that it recommends to the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education the award of a Postgraduate Certificate in Architectural Studies to a candidate who has satisfactorily completed two or more of the four parts (a) – (d) of the examination specified under Regulation 1 but who fails to reach the standard required for the award of the degree.
5. The nominated End-Point Assessment Organisation shall be selected from the Register of End-Point Assessment Organisations certified by the Institute for Apprenticeships.

## Artificial Intelligence Ethics and Society for the M.St. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 550 and *Reporter*, 6790, 2024–25, p. 671)

**With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education and the Degree Committee for the Faculty Board of Philosophy, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Artificial Intelligence Ethics and Society for the degree of Master of Studies, to change the Degree Committee to the Arts and Humanities Interdisciplinary Education Committee. The special regulations, including the above change, now read as follows:

### ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ETHICS AND SOCIETY

1. The scheme of examination for the course of study in Artificial Intelligence (A.I.) Ethics and Society for the degree of Master of Studies shall be as follows:
  - (a) four modules each examined by assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Arts and Humanities Interdisciplinary Education Committee;
  - (b) a dissertation of not more than 15,000 words in length including footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Interdisciplinary Education Committee.
2. At the discretion of the Examiners the examination may include an oral examination on the dissertation and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls; such an oral examination may include questions relating to one or more of the other pieces of work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1.
3. The Examiners may recommend to the Interdisciplinary Education Committee that it recommends to the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education the award of a Postgraduate Certificate to a candidate who has satisfactorily completed requirements specified in Regulation 1(a) but who has not completed or has failed to reach the necessary standard in the dissertation.

## Climate, Environmental and Urban Policy for the M.St. Degree

*(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 551)*

### **With effect from 1 October 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Climate, Environmental and Urban Policy for the degree of Master of Studies to amend the scheme of examination to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The course regulations read as follows:

#### CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENTAL AND URBAN POLICY

1. The scheme of examination for the course of study in Climate, Environmental and Urban Policy for the degree of Master of Studies shall be as follows:
  - (a) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy.
  - (b) one dissertation methodological outline of not more than 2,000 words in length;
  - (c) a dissertation, of not more than 12,000 words in length, including footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee.
2. At the discretion of the Examiners the examination may include an oral examination on the dissertation and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls.
3. The Examiners may recommend to the Degree Committee that it recommends to the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education the award of the Postgraduate Diploma to a candidate who has satisfactorily completed the requirements specified in Regulation 1(a) and who has not completed or fails to reach the required standard for the dissertation under Regulation 1(c).

## Clinical Medicine for the M.St. Degree

*(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 551)*

### **With effect from 1 October 2027**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education and the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, has approved the suspension of entry to the course of study in Clinical Medicine for the degree of Master of Studies for the 2027–28 academic year. A footnote noting the suspension will be added to the Special Regulations for the course.

## Creative Writing for the M.St. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 553)

**With effect from 1 October 2026**

Further to the Ordinance on Assessment Formats coming into effect on 1 October 2025, the General Board, on the recommendation of the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education and the Degree Committee for the Faculty Board of English, has approved amendments to the scheme of examination for the course of study in Creative Writing for the degree of Master of Studies to restructure the course to include pathway options and to make revisions to the coursework assessment. The course regulations read as follows:

### CREATIVE WRITING

1. The scheme of examination for the course of study in Creative Writing, for the degree of Master of Studies shall consist of:

- (a) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Degree Committee of the Faculty of English;
- (b) a dissertation of not more than 15,000 words in length including footnotes and appendices or a portfolio of work deemed equivalent on a subject and form approved by the Degree Committee of the Faculty of English.

The work completed under (a) and (b) shall fall within one of the pathways specified at the end of these regulations.

2. At the discretion of the Examiners the examination may include an oral examination on the dissertation or portfolio and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls; such an oral examination may include questions relating to one or more of the other pieces of work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1(a) above.

3. The Examiners may recommend to the Degree Committee that it recommends to the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education the award of the Postgraduate Certificate to a candidate who has not completed the full requirements of the Degree but who has satisfactorily completed the requirements of the Postgraduate Certificate award as determined by the Degree Committee.

### PATHWAYS

Creative non-fiction  
Fiction

Multi-disciplinary  
Poetry

## English Language Assessment for the M.St. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 553)

**With effect from 1 October 2026**

Further to the Ordinance on Assessment Formats coming into effect on 1 October 2025, the General Board, on the recommendation of the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education and the Degree Committee for the Faculty Board of Modern and Medieval Languages and Linguistics, has approved amendments to the scheme of examination for the course of study in English Language Assessment for the degree of Master of Studies to restructure the taught modules and to make revisions to the coursework assessment. The suspension of entry onto the course in the 2026–27 academic year has also been approved. The course regulations read as follows:

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE ASSESSMENT<sup>[1]</sup>

1. The scheme of examination for the course of study in English Language Assessment, for the degree of Master of Studies shall consist of:

- (a) four modules, each examined by assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages and Linguistics;
- (b) a dissertation of between 15,000 and 18,000 words in length, including footnotes and appendices, but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee.

2. At the discretion of the Examiners the examination may include an oral examination on the dissertation and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls and on any other work submitted by the candidate under Regulation 1.

3. The Examiners may recommend to the Degree Committee that it recommends to the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education the award of the Postgraduate Certificate to a candidate who has satisfactorily completed the requirements specified in Regulation 1(a), but who has not completed or has failed to reach the necessary standard in the dissertation.

<sup>[1]</sup> Admission to this course is suspended in 2026–27.

## Genomic Medicine for the M.St. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 554)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Genomic Medicine for the degree of Master of Studies to amend the scheme of examination to reference the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The course regulations read as follows:

#### GENOMIC MEDICINE

1. The scheme of examination for the course of study in Genomic Medicine for the degree of Master of Studies shall consist of:

*either*

- (a) (i) eight modules chosen from a list of core and optional modules, to be announced by the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine not later than the end of the Easter Term preceding the examination and stipulating which modules are core and which are optional; *and*
  - (ii) a research project of between 10,000 and 12,000 words, including footnotes but excluding tables, appendices and bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee;

*or*

- (b) (i) ten modules chosen from a list of core and optional modules, to be announced by the Degree Committee not later than the end of the Easter Term preceding the examination and stipulating which modules are core and which are optional; *and*
  - (ii) a literature-based research project of between 5,000 and 6,000 words, including footnotes but excluding tables, appendices and bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee.

2. Each module shall be examined by assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Format as prescribed by the Degree Committee.

3. The Examiners may recommend to the Degree Committee that it recommends to the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education the award of a Postgraduate Certificate to a candidate who has satisfactorily completed four core modules specified in Regulation 1(a) or 1(b), and to a candidate who has not completed, or fails to reach the required standard for the award of a Postgraduate Diploma.

4. The Examiners may recommend to the Degree Committee that it recommends to the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education the award of a Postgraduate Diploma to a candidate who has satisfactorily completed the eight modules specified in Regulation 1(a)(i), or at least eight modules specified in Regulation 1(b)(i) comprising the seven core modules and one optional module, and to a candidate who has not completed or fails to reach the required standard in the research project required under Regulation 1(a)(ii) or 1(b)(ii).

## History of Art and Visual Culture for the M.St. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 556)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education and the Degree Committee for the Faculty Board of Architecture and History of Art, has approved amendments to the scheme of examination for the course of study in History of Art and Visual Culture for the degree of Master of Studies. The opportunity has also been taken to make further amendments to the special regulations to make them consistent with the wording in other Master of Studies regulations. The course regulations read as follows:

#### HISTORY OF ART AND VISUAL CULTURE

1. The scheme of examination for the course of study in History of Art and Visual Culture for the degree of Master of Studies shall be as follows:

- (a) three modules, each examined by assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Architecture and History of Art; and
- (b) a dissertation of between 12,000 and 15,000 words in length, including footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee.

2. At the discretion of the Examiners the examination may include an oral examination on the dissertation and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls.

3. The Examiners may recommend that the Degree Committee recommends to the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education the award of a Postgraduate Certificate to candidates who have satisfactorily completed the requirements specified in Regulation 1(a) but who has not completed or has failed to reach the necessary standard in the dissertation.

## Manufacturing and Industrial Leadership for the M.St. Degree

### With effect from 1 October 2027

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Strategic Committee for Professional and Continuing Education and the Degree Committee for the Faculty Board of Engineering, has approved Manufacturing and Industrial Leadership as a course of study for the degree of Master of Studies with effect from 1 October 2027. Special regulations for the examination have been approved as follows:

#### MANUFACTURING AND INDUSTRIAL LEADERSHIP

1. The scheme of examination for the course of study in Manufacturing and Industrial Leadership for the degree of Master of Studies shall consist of:

- (a) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Engineering;
- (b) a dissertation of not more than 15,000 words in length, including footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee. The assessment of the dissertation shall include an oral presentation of the project work on which the dissertation is based.

2. At the discretion of the Examiners the examination may include an oral examination on any or all of the components of the examination specified under Regulation 1 above, and on the general field of knowledge within which they fall.

## Medical Education for the M.St. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 558 and *Reporter*, 6790, 2024–25, p. 671)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education and the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, has approved amendments to the special regulations for the course of study in Medical Education for the degree of Master of Studies to clarify the wording and bring the regulations into line with current practice. The regulations read as follows:

#### MEDICAL EDUCATION

1. The course of study in Medical Education for the degree of Master of Studies shall consist of a flexible route which takes place over a series of defined stages.
2. The scheme of examination shall consist of:
  - (a) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine;
  - (b) a project proposal of between 3,000 and 4,000 words, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee;
  - (c) a project presentation and short reflective piece of 1,500 to 2,500 words; and
  - (d) a project report of 8,000 to 10,000 words or equivalent.
3. The Examiners may recommend to the Degree Committee that it recommends to the Strategic Committee of the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education the award of a Postgraduate Certificate to a candidate who has satisfactorily completed the requirements as specified in Regulation 2(a) and to a candidate who has not completed or fails to reach the required standard for the award of a Postgraduate Diploma.
4. The Examiners may recommend to the Degree Committee that it recommends to the Strategic Committee of the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education the award of a Postgraduate Diploma to a candidate who has satisfactorily completed the requirements as specified in Regulations 2(a) but who has not completed or fails to reach the required standard in the research project.
5. The examination shall include an oral examination on the research project and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls and on the other work submitted by the candidate; save that the Examiners may, at their discretion, waive the requirement for an oral examination.

## Real Estate for the M.St. Degree

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 558)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the course in Real Estate for the degree of Master of Studies to amend the scheme of examination to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The course regulations read as follows:

#### REAL ESTATE

1. The scheme of examination for the course of study in Real Estate for the degree of Master of Studies shall consist of:
  - (a) a dissertation, of not more than 12,000 words in length, including footnotes and appendices but excluding bibliography, on a subject approved by the Degree Committee for the Department of Land Economy;
  - (b) assessments offered in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, as prescribed by the Degree Committee.
2. At the discretion of the Examiners the examination may include an oral examination on the dissertation and on the general field of knowledge within which it falls.
3. The Examiners may recommend to the Degree Committee that it recommends to the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education the award of the Postgraduate Diploma to a candidate who has satisfactorily completed the requirements specified in Regulation 1(b) and who does not complete, or fails to reach the required standard in the dissertation, specified under Regulation 1(a).

## Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 561)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine, has approved amendments to the regulations for the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine to amend the scheme of examination to reference the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. Additional amendments have been made for clarity and in line with current practice. The Faculty Board has also approved the removal of the Supplementary Regulations for the degree. The amended regulations now read as follows:

#### BACHELOR OF VETERINARY MEDICINE<sup>[1]</sup>

1. These regulations for the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine shall apply to those students who begin their clinical course on or after 1 September 2021.

2. There shall be a Second Examination and a Final Examination for the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine, referred to in these regulations as the Second Vet.M.B. Examination and the Final Veterinary Examination.

3. A student who has passed the Second Vet.M.B. Examination and Parts I and II of the Final Veterinary Examination shall be qualified to proceed to the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine, the short title of which shall be Vet.M.B.

4. The Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine shall be empowered, after consultation with the Faculty Board of Biology, to delegate to the Veterinary Education Committee from time to time all or any of the Faculty Board's powers and duties under these regulations. In these regulations unless the context shall require otherwise:

- (a) the term *Faculty Board* shall mean the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine;
- (b) the terms *prescribed standard* and *prescribed course* shall mean respectively standard prescribed by the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine and course prescribed by the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine;
- (c) the term *course of instruction* shall mean course of instruction given in the University or elsewhere, including placements, and may include practical instruction.
- (d) the term *Veterinary Students Register* shall mean a register of students who are deemed fit to practise veterinary medicine. A student may be removed temporarily or permanently from the Register if they are deemed no longer a fit person to have the privilege of access to patients. Subject to the powers of the Council and of the General Board and of a Fitness for Veterinary Practice Appeal Tribunal, the Register shall be maintained by the Faculty Boards of Biology and Veterinary Medicine through the Fitness for Veterinary Practice Committee.

5. Where these regulations require a candidate for any of the examinations prescribed therein to produce evidence of instruction or of any other matter:

- (a) the candidate's entry for the examination shall not be considered to have been made earlier than the day on which the Registry receives that evidence or the last part of it;
- (b) the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine shall have power to require that evidence of having attended a course of instruction shall be evidence of having attended a prescribed course.

6. The Faculty Board, after consulting other bodies concerned, shall have power to define or limit all or any of the subjects of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination and all or any of the Parts or sections of a Part of the Final Veterinary Examination.

7. A student shall be deemed to have had an attempt at an examination under these regulations (including an attempt at any subject or component assessed by that examination) if they:

- (a) have taken their place for the examination and the formal start of the examination is recorded, irrespective of whether the student began or completed any part of the examination;
- (b) except by special permission of the Faculty Board granted in exceptional circumstances, if the student fails to take their place for the examination, and their examination entry has not been withdrawn.

**8.** The subjects of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination shall be as follows:

- Biology of Disease (BOD)
- Comparative Vertebrate Biology (CVB)
- Foundations of Evidence Based Practice (FEBP)
- Homeostasis (HOM)
- Mechanisms of Drug Action (MODA)
- Molecules in Medical Science (MIMS)
- Neurobiology with Animal Behaviour (NAB)
- Preparing for the Veterinary Profession (PFVP)
- Principles of Animal Management (PAM)
- Veterinary Anatomy and Physiology (VAP)
- Veterinary Reproductive Biology (VRB)

The subjects of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination shall be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The details of permitted assessment formats for each paper shall be prescribed by the Faculty Board.

**9.** The Second Vet.M.B. Examination shall be held as follows:

- (a) The examinations in BOD, CVB, HOM, MIMS, MODA, NAB, VAP, and VRB shall be held twice a year, as follows:
  - (i) in the Easter Term, on the dates prescribed for Part IA and Part IB of the Veterinary Sciences Tripos;<sup>[2]</sup>
  - (ii) in September, beginning on the Monday next but one before the first day of the Michaelmas Term.
- (b) The examinations in FEBP, PAM, and PFVP shall be held twice a year as follows:
  - (i) on the last day of Full Lent Term;
  - (ii) in the week beginning on the Monday next but one before the first day of the Michaelmas Term.

**10.** Requirements to be a candidate for the Second Vet.M.B. Examination:

(a) No student shall be a candidate for any subject of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination unless they have previously satisfied the University's matriculation requirements.

The Faculty Board shall have power to grant exemption from all or part of the matriculation requirements to a student who is deemed by the Faculty Board to have attained a satisfactory standard in an examination or examinations approved by the Faculty Board for this purpose in an appropriate subject or subjects.

(b) Candidates are required to have diligently attended approved courses of instruction appropriate to the subject or subjects to be offered in the examination. Approved courses recognised for this purpose shall be listed in Schedule A to these regulations; the Faculty Board shall have power to amend that schedule from time to time as they think fit. The Faculty Board shall have authority to approve for this purpose additional courses offered by a university other than Cambridge, or, in exceptional circumstances to waive the requirement. The Second Vet.M.B. Examination may be taken by an unmatriculated student who has satisfied these requirements and who is certified on behalf of a College to the Registry to be a *bona fide* candidate for admission to the College. A student whose name does not appear on the Veterinary Students Register shall not be a candidate for any subject of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination.

**11.** (a) The Faculty Board shall have power to grant exemption from any subject or subjects of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination to a candidate for admission as a veterinary student from a university other than Cambridge, provided that the student has satisfied the conditions of Regulation 10 and has attained a satisfactory standard, as prescribed by the Faculty Board, in corresponding subjects taken in an examination for a degree of a university other than Cambridge.

(b) The Faculty Board shall inform the Registry as early as possible of the names of those candidates who have been granted exemption from any subject or subjects of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination and who have satisfied the requirements in Regulation 11(a).

**12.** A candidate who is unsuccessful in the examination in any subject of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination shall be eligible for re-examination, provided that, except by special permission of the Faculty Board granted in exceptional circumstances,

- (a) a student who fails to satisfy the Examiners in any subject other than FEBP or PAM shall not be a candidate for re-examination in that subject later than five months after their first attempt in that subject;
- (b) a student who fails to satisfy the Examiners in FEBP or PAM shall not be a candidate for re-examination in that subject later than thirteen months after their first attempt in that subject;
- (c) subject to Regulation 25, no student shall be a candidate in any subject on more than two occasions in total.

**13.** The Final Veterinary Examination shall consist of two Parts. Except by permission of the Faculty Board in exceptional circumstances, no student shall be a candidate for the first time for any Part later than four years after the beginning of their course of clinical study.

**14.** The examinations for Part I of the Final Veterinary Examination shall be held on dates determined by the Faculty Board, and shall consist of written and practical examinations, as prescribed by the Faculty Board from time to time. All candidates shall make their first attempt at the examination on the first published date for that examination provided that, in exceptional circumstances and for good cause, the Faculty Board may permit a candidate to defer taking the examination until the next timetabled sitting of that examination. Part I of the Final Veterinary Examination shall be assessed in formats permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The details of the permitted assessment formats for each paper shall be prescribed by the Faculty Board.

**15.** Before taking the examination in any subject of Part I, a student must have

- (a) completed the Second Vet.M.B. Examination by having passed all the subjects thereof;
- (b) obtained a honours degree deemed appropriate by the Faculty Board, which shall be a degree of this University if the student has undertaken preclinical veterinary study in the University, and which may otherwise be a degree of a university other than Cambridge; and
- (c) produced evidence of having, since the date of their matriculation, satisfactorily carried out animal handling, extra-mural studies in a form and number of weeks as approved by the Faculty Board. A student may exceptionally apply, through their College, to the Faculty Board for permission to carry out these extra-mural studies while they are a candidate for Part I of the Final Veterinary Examination. No student may be a candidate for Part II of the Final Veterinary Examination until they have satisfactorily completed these extra-mural studies.

Subject to the provisions of Regulation 18(b) and (c), candidates who fail to satisfy the Examiners in any subject of Part I may present themselves for re-examination, under arrangements approved by the Faculty Board. A student whose name does not appear on the Veterinary Students Register shall not be a candidate for any subject of Part I of the Final Vet.M.B. Examination.

**16.** The examinations for Part II of the Final Veterinary Examination shall be held on dates determined by the Faculty Board, and shall consist of written and oral examinations, coursework, project, presentation and practical assessments, as prescribed by the Faculty Board from time to time. Part II of the Final Veterinary Examination shall be assessed in formats prescribed under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, except for those subjects requiring practical clinical skills assessment that shall be assessed using a format prescribed by the Faculty Board. Written and *viva voce* examinations for Part II of the Final Veterinary Examination shall be held twice a year: in the second week of Full Easter Term and in the week preceding the first day of the Michaelmas Term. All candidates shall make their first attempt at the examination in the Easter Term provided that, in exceptional circumstances and for good cause, the Faculty Board may permit a candidate to defer taking the examination until the following September. Students shall be advised of the specific components by the division of Lent Term of the preceding academic year.

The Examiners shall take into account any coursework done by candidates, including practical work, as shall from time to time be determined by the Faculty Board.

A candidate attempting Part II for the first time shall be required to take all written papers and an oral assessment corresponding to each written paper at the same sitting. Subject to the provisions of Regulation 18(b) and (c), candidates who fail to satisfy the Examiners in any subject of Part II may present themselves for re-examination of that subject, under arrangements approved by the Faculty Board, in the week preceding the first day of the Michaelmas Term.

**17.** No student may be a candidate for Part II of the Final Veterinary Examination written papers and oral assessment until at least thirty-two months have elapsed after the beginning of their course of clinical study. No student may be a candidate for Part II if more than ninety-two months have elapsed since they began the preclinical veterinary medicine course, providing that the Faculty Board may waive this condition in exceptional circumstances. A candidate must have passed Part I of the Final Veterinary Examination and

- (a) must have produced evidence of having attended courses of instruction in clinical veterinary medicine as concerned in particular with the various species of domestic animals, including satisfactory completion of the clinical rotations and tests which form part of these courses;
- (b) must have performed, since the beginning of their course of clinical study, clinical extra-mural practical experience of veterinary work approved for this purpose and of the number of weeks approved by the Faculty Board in addition to the animal handling extra-mural studies required by Regulation 15 to have been carried out since matriculation; for this purpose each candidate shall be required to submit for the inspection of the Examiners, at a time to be determined by Faculty Board, records of their extra-mural studies in a form prescribed by the Faculty Board from time to time.

**18.** Except by permission of the Faculty Board in exceptional circumstances, and subject to any conditions determined by them,

- (a) no certificate or other evidence produced under Regulation 16 shall be accepted if it relates to a course of instruction that began *either* (i) before the candidate's completion of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination, *or* (ii) before the beginning of the candidate's course of clinical study, *or* (iii) more than eight years after the candidate first took any subject of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination or an examination leading to exemption from such a subject;
- (b) no student shall be re-examined in any Part, or in any subject, paper, or section of a Part, later than two years after their first candidature for that Part, subject, paper, or section;
- (c) subject to Regulation 25, no student shall be a candidate for any Part, or for any subject, paper, or section of a Part on more than two occasions.

**19.** The arrangements for the appointment of Examiners for the Second Vet.M.B. Examination shall be as follows:

- (a) For BOD, HOM, MIMS, and MODA the Examiners shall be the Examiners appointed for those subjects in the Veterinary Sciences Tripos;
- (b) For each of the subjects CVB, FEBP, NAB, PAM, PFVP, VAP, and VRB the Faculty Board shall nominate a Senior Examiner and such number of other Examiners as are required to conduct the examination; provided that for sittings of subjects of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination held under Regulation 8(a)(i)<sup>[3]</sup> the Examiners shall be the Examiners appointed for those subjects in the Veterinary Sciences Tripos.

**20.** The Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine shall nominate in each calendar year such number of Examiners for each Part of the Final Veterinary Examination as the General Board on the recommendation of the Faculty Board may determine. The Faculty Board shall also have power to nominate one or more Assessors to assist the Examiners in any Part of the Examination. If required to do so, Assessors shall propose questions in the subject or subjects assigned to them, shall review the answers of candidates to those questions, shall set and conduct practical, clinical, and oral examinations, and shall report as required to the Examiners. An Assessor may be summoned, for the purpose of consultation and advice, to meetings of the relevant body of Examiners, but shall not be entitled to vote.

**21.** The Examiners and Assessors shall observe the following provisions:

- (a) the Examiners and Assessors in each subject, paper, or section shall be jointly responsible for all the questions set in that subject, paper, or section in the several examinations in which they take part;
- (b) Examiners or Assessors shall read the papers and test the practical work of each candidate using the double marking policy as specified by the Faculty Board;
- (c) at least two Examiners or Assessors shall be present at, and shall participate in, the *viva voce* examination of any candidate;
- (d) in Part I and in each section of Part II of the Final Veterinary Examination, at least two Examiners shall be present at the meeting at which the list of successful candidates is drawn up.

**22.** Class-lists shall be produced for each subject of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination, and for each Part of the Final Veterinary Examination. The names of the successful candidates in the several lists shall be arranged in alphabetical order. The lists for Part II of the Final Veterinary Examination shall indicate the sections of the examination in which the candidate has passed. In Part I and in each section of Part II of the Final Veterinary Examination, a mark of merit may be affixed to the names of the candidates whose work is of special merit.

**23.** The Senior Examiner for each subject of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination and the Chair of Examiners for each Part of the Final Veterinary Examination shall communicate the marks of all the candidates to the Registrary, and shall communicate to Tutors or other designated College officers, for transmission to their pupils, the marks of their pupils and such other information as may be considered advisable.<sup>[4]</sup>

**24.** A candidate for the Vet.M.B. Degree shall pay the appropriate University Composition Fee for each term of clinical study for the degree. This fee covers admission and readmission to the Veterinary Examinations and admission to the Vet.M.B. Degree.

**25.** A student may seek review of a decision made by the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine in respect of that student who has applied exceptionally for an additional attempt at any Part of the Vet.M.B. Examination under Regulations 12 or 18(c). A request for review shall be made under the Procedure for the Review of Decisions of University Bodies established by the General Board.<sup>[5]</sup>

#### SCHEDULE A

##### APPROVED COURSES OF INSTRUCTION FOR THE SECOND VET.M.B. EXAMINATION

In addition to the courses offered as specific preparation for the subjects for the Second Vet.M.B. Examination, the following courses have been approved by the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine as appropriate courses of instruction for certain subjects of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination.

<i>Subjects in the Second Vet.M.B. Examination</i>	<i>Subjects in Tripos Examinations</i>
Biology of Disease (BOD)	NST Part Ib Pathology <i>or</i> NST Part II Pathology
Mechanisms of Drug Action (MODA)	NST Part Ib Pharmacology <i>or</i> NST Part II Pharmacology
Molecules in Medical Science (MIMS)	NST Part Ib Biochemistry and Molecular Biology <i>or</i> NST Part II Biochemistry
Homeostasis (HOM)	NST Part Ia Physiology of Organisms <i>or</i> NST Part Ib Physiology

<sup>[1]</sup> For candidates who commenced the degree course prior to 1 September 2021, see the previous regulations, printed in *Statutes and Ordinances*, 2020, p. 567.

<sup>[2]</sup> In this sitting of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination the papers set are Sections I and II of the papers in the corresponding subjects of the Veterinary Sciences Tripos.

<sup>[3]</sup> That is when the papers of the Second Vet.M.B. Examination are the papers set for the corresponding subjects of the Veterinary Sciences Tripos.

<sup>[4]</sup> See also the regulations for the disclosure of examination marks, p. [000].

<sup>[5]</sup> See p. [000].

#### **With effect from 1 October 2026**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Veterinary Medicine, has approved amendments to the regulations for the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine to amend the scheme of examination, including the removal of oral assessments, with effect from 1 October 2026. The amendments, based on the regulations published above, are as follows:

##### Regulation 16.

By removing the references to the oral and viva voce examinations in Regulation 16 so it reads as follows:

**16.** The examinations for Part II of the Final Veterinary Examination shall be held on dates determined by the Faculty Board, and shall consist of written examinations, coursework, project, presentation and practical assessments, as prescribed by the Faculty Board from time to time. Part II of the Final Veterinary Examination shall be assessed in formats prescribed under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats, except for those subjects requiring practical clinical skills assessment that shall be assessed using a format prescribed by the Faculty Board. Written examinations for Part II of the Final Veterinary Examination shall be held twice a year: in the Full Easter Term and within the three weeks preceding the first day of the Michaelmas Term. All candidates shall make their first attempt at the examination in the Easter Term provided that, in exceptional circumstances and for good cause, the Faculty Board may permit a candidate to defer taking the examination until the following September. Students shall be advised of the specific components by the division of Lent Term of the preceding academic year.

The Examiners shall take into account any coursework done by candidates, including practical work, as shall from time to time be determined by the Faculty Board.

A candidate attempting Part II for the first time shall be required to take all written papers at the same sitting. Subject to the provisions of Regulation 18(b) and (c), candidates who fail to satisfy the Examiners in any subject of Part II may present themselves for re-examination of that subject, under arrangements approved by the Faculty Board, in the week preceding the first day of the Michaelmas Term.

Regulation 17.

By revising the first sentence of Regulation 17 to remove the reference to the oral assessment, so it reads as follows:

No student may be a candidate for Part II of the Final Veterinary Examination written papers until at least thirty-two months have elapsed after the beginning of their course of clinical study.

Regulation 20.

By revising the third sentence of Regulation 20 to remove the reference to oral assessments, so it reads as follows:

If required to do so, Assessors shall propose questions in the subject or subjects assigned to them, shall review the answers of candidates to those questions, shall set and conduct practical and clinical assessments, and shall report as required to the Examiners.

Regulation 21.

By removing the text of sub-section (c), renumbering sub-section (d) as (c) and revising the text of (b) to read as follows:

(b) Examiners or Assessors shall read the papers of each candidate using the double marking policy as specified by the Faculty Board;

## Advanced Diploma in Economics

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 573)

### With effect from 1 October 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Economics, has approved the amendment of the scheme of examination for the Advanced Diploma in Economics to bring it under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats. The Degree Committee has additionally approved an amendment to the supplementary regulations. Amendments have been made as follows:

Regulation 6.

By amending the text of Regulation 6 so it reads as follows:

**6.** The examination shall consist of three papers as follows:

Paper 1.	Microeconomics.
Paper 2.	Macroeconomics.
Paper 3.	Econometrics.

Not later than the end of the Easter Term each year the Degree Committee shall announce, for the examination to be held in the academic year next following, the form of examination for each of Papers 1, 2 and 3, which shall be assessed in a format permitted under the Ordinance for Assessment Formats as prescribed by the Degree Committee.

### SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS.

By removing the second paragraph containing the examination details from the description of Paper 3, so it reads as follows:

#### *Paper 3. Econometrics*

This paper deals with the statistical analysis of microeconomic and macroeconomic data as a basis for empirical studies in economics. The paper assumes a background knowledge of statistical methods as a descriptive and summarizing device and an elementary knowledge of probability theory and statistical inference.

## Postgraduate Certificate in Professional Practice in Architecture (End-Point Assessment)

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 587)

### With effect from 1 October 2028

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Architecture and History of Art and the Strategic Committee of the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education, has approved the withdrawal of the course of study in Professional Practice in Architecture (End-Point Assessment) for the award of Postgraduate Certificate, with effect from 1 October 2028, in response to changes in accreditation by the Architects Registration Board.

## Diplomas and Certificates open to non-members of the University

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 587 and *Reporter*, 6777, 2024–25, p. 449)

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Strategic Committee for the Institute of Professional and Continuing Education, has approved the amendment of the Schedule to the regulations for Diplomas and Certificates open to non-members of the University (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 589) as shown below.

### With effect from 1 October 2025

By adding a footnote to suspend the following Diplomas and Certificates in the 2025–26 academic year:

*Institute of Professional and Continuing Education*

*Diplomas*

Diploma in Coaching

Diploma in Evolutionary Biology

Diploma in Genetics

*Certificates*

Certificate in Anthropology: Studying Human Culture

Certificate in Entrepreneurship: Venture Creation

Certificate in Evolutionary Biology

Certificate in Genetics

Certificate in International Development

Certificate in the Making of the English Landscape: Landscape History and Archaeology

Certificate in Politics

Certificate in Sociology

Certificate of Higher Education in Pre-Medical Studies

### With effect from 1 October 2026

By adding the following Diplomas to the Schedule:

*Institute of Professional and Continuing Education*

*Diplomas*

Diploma in History and Philosophy of Science and Technology

Diploma in Professional Coaching

By adding a footnote against the following Diploma to suspend the award in 2026–27:

Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Medicine

By amending the footnote against the following Certificate to reinstate the award in 2026–27:

Certificate in Sociology, Politics and Psychology

## Postgraduate Awards of Practitioner Professional Development

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 591)

### With effect from 30 April 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Education, has approved the amendment of the Schedule for the Postgraduate Awards of Practitioner and Professional Development to add ‘psychotherapeutic’ to the title of the courses in child and adolescent counselling, as follows:

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By amending the titles of the courses in child and adolescent counselling to read as follows:

*30-credit practitioner professional development courses*

An introduction to child and adolescent psychotherapeutic counselling

*120-credit practitioner professional development courses*

Postgraduate diploma in child and adolescent psychotherapeutic counselling

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