

# FINAL HONOUR SCHOOL OF HISTORY AND POLITICS EXAMINERS' REPORT 2020

## Part I

### A. STATISTICS

All candidates

Class	No						%					
	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
I	22	20	14	13	14	13	46.9	43.5	38.9	34.2	30.4	33.3
II.1	24	26	22	22	32	25	51.1	56.5	61.1	57.9	69.6	64.1
II.2	-	-	-	3	-	1	-	-	-	7.9	-	2.6
DDH	1	-	-	-	-	-	2.1	-	-	-	-	-

All candidates, divided by male and female

Class	Number										Percentage (%) of gender									
	2020		2019		2018		2017		2016		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
I	13	9	15	5	9	5	8	5	13	1	50	42.9	45.5	38.5	45	31.3	29.6	45.5	44.8	5.9
II.1	13	11	18	8	11	11	17	5	16	16	50	52.4	54.5	61.5	55	68.8	62.9	45.5	56.5	94.1
II.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.4	9.1	-	-
DDH	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### B. NEW EXAMINING METHODS AND PROCEDURES

This year, because of the Covid-19, pandemic new classification rules were agreed. In order to ensure parity with History, finalists were assessed on seven papers (except for twenty-five candidates who had taken a History Special Subject, where the gobbets papers were cancelled), but classified on their highest six papers, with the lowest mark being disregarded. Type 2 'safety net' measures were put in place.

### C. INFORMING CANDIDATES OF EXAMINATION CONVENTIONS

Candidates were informed of the new classification and safety net rules through direct email correspondence to individual candidates on 20 April 2020.

## Part II – CONDUCT AND OUTCOME OF THE EXAMINATION

There were 47 candidates this year, 26 M and 20 F. Mitigating circumstances were considered in the cases of 28 candidates. 22 candidates achieved First-class degrees (46.9%), the highest proportion in recent years. 42.9% of female candidates and 50% of male candidates achieved First-class degrees. One candidate was 'Declared to have Deserved Honours'.

## **MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS**

Dr Simon Skinner (Chair)

Dr Gareth Davies

Dr Helen Gittos

Dr Edward Keene

Dr Nicholas Owen

Professor Manuel Barcia Paz (External Examiner in History)

Professor Jude Brown (External Examiner in Politics)