# FINAL HONOUR SCHOOL OF HISTORY AND ECONOMICS EXAMINERS' REPORT 2023 DRAT

#### Part I

## A. Statistics

#### All candidates

Class	No					%				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
1	4	5	6	11	2	26.7	25	42.9	64.7	16.7
II.1	10	15	7	6	10	66.7	75	50	35.3	83.3
II.2	1	-	1	-	-	6.7	-	7.1	-	-
III	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

#### All candidates, divided by male and female

Clss	Number										Percentage (%) of gender									
	2023		2022		2021		2020		2019		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019	
	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F
1	1	3	2	3	4	2	10	1	2	0	16.	33.	22.2	27.3	57.1	28.	66.7	50	28.6	0
											7	3				6				
II.1	5	5	7	8	2	5	5	1	5	5	83.	55.	77.8	72.7	28.6	71.	33.3	50	71.4	100
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11.2	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-		11.	-	-	14.3	-	-	-	-	-
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#### **EXAMINING METHODS AND PROCEDURES**

The pre-pandemic rules and procedures were once again in place and candidates took their timed exams in person in Examination Schools. Owing to the Marking and Assessment boycott, some modifications had to be made to examining procedures. On the History side some boycotting markers were replaced by others with appropriate expertise; a number of papers were single-marked and then moderated by an experienced assessor to achieve a final mark.

## Part II

## A. GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINATION

There were 26.7% Firsts this year, which is comparable to the previous year. Examiners were generally satisfied with the standard exhibited by candidates. The MCEs were carefully considered by Board.

## B. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES AND BREAKDOWN OF THE RESULTS BY GENDER

Given the small sample size, it is difficult to draw strong conclusions, although the proportion of firsts awarded to female candidates again (33.3%) again exceeded that awarded to males (16.7%).

## C. COMMENTS ON PAPERS AND INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONS

Two candidates were affected by the Marking and Assessment Boycott and had moderated marks for one of their History papers. All candidates were able to be fully classified at the Exam Board meetings in July.

## D. FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINATION PROCESS

Special thanks are due to Andrea Hopkins (History) who facilitated the meetings and the Board's work with extensive preparation, as well as to Katherine Cummings (Economics) who provided support on the Economics side.

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Dr Simon Cowan
Dr Erica Charters
Prof David Hopkin
Dr Stephen Tuffnell
Prof Trevor Burnard (External Examiner for History)
Prof Toke Aidt (External Examiner for Economics)