

**FINAL HONOUR SCHOOL OF HISTORY AND ECONOMICS  
EXAMINERS' REPORT 2024 FINAL**

**Part I**

**A. Statistics**

All candidates

Class	No					%				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
I	5	4	5	6	11	38.5	26.7	25	42.9	64.7
II.1	6	10	15	7	6	46.2	66.7	75	50	35.3
II.2	2	1	-	1	-	15.4	6.7	-	7.1	-
III	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

All candidates, divided by male and female

Class	Number										Percentage (%) of gender									
	2024		2023		2022		2021		2020		2024		2023		2022		2021		2020	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
I	2	3	1	3	2	3	4	2	10	1	40	37.5	16.7	33.3	22.2	27.3	57.1	28.6	66.7	50
II.1	1	5	5	5	7	8	2	5	5	1	20	62.5	83.3	55.5	77.8	72.7	28.6	71.4	33.3	50
II.2	2	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	40	-	-	11.1	-	-	14.3	-	-	-
III	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**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.

**Part II**

**A. GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINATION**

There were 38.5% Firsts this year, a marked increase on the previous year.

Examiners were 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. The proportion of firsts awarded to male candidates (40%) quite narrowly exceeded that awarded to females (37.5%).

**C. COMMENTS ON PAPERS AND INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONS**

There was a certain spread for some candidates between Economics and History papers, reflecting the disciplinary demands distinct to each. The average marks in History papers and Economics papers were as follows:

Hist	Econ	Overall
70.3	75	<b>73.25</b>
73.5	71.3	<b>71.88</b>
69.7	71.8	<b>71</b>
69.3	69.8	<b>69.63</b>
69.5	69	<b>69.25</b>
63.3	66.4	<b>65.25</b>
67.8	62	<b>64.88</b>
64	62.8	<b>63.25</b>
65.5	58.8	<b>62.13</b>
56	64.4	<b>61.25</b>
59.75	59.5	<b>59.67</b>
60.5	56.5	<b>58.5</b>
61	54	<b>56.63</b>

#### **D. COMMENTS ON THE PERFORMANCE OF IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUALS AND OTHER MATERIAL WHICH WOULD USUALLY BE TREATED AS RESERVED BUSINESS**

The top performing candidate achieved a Congratulatory First (no marks below 70) and was also awarded the John Hicks Foundation Prize for the best performance in Microeconomics.

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Prof Marc Mulholland (Chair)

Prof Paul Betts

Prof Adam Smith

Prof Eric Chaney

Prof Simon Cowan

Prof Jon Wilson (External Examiner for History)

Prof Toke Aidt (External Examiner for Economics)