

# FINAL HONOUR SCHOOL OF HISTORY AND POLITICS EXAMINERS' REPORT 2023 FINAL

## Part I

### A. STATISTICS

All candidates

Class	No						%					
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
I	21	20	23	22	20	14	36.2	47.6	53.5	46.9	43.5	38.9
II.1	37	22	19	24	26	22	63.8	52.4	42.2	51.1	56.5	61.1
II.2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	-	-	7.9
DDH	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-

All candidates, divided by male and female

Class	Number										Percentage (%) of gender									
	2023		2022		2021		2020		2019		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
I	14	7	6	14	14	9	13	9	15	5	45.2	25.9	42.9	50	60.9	45	50	42.9	45.5	38.5
II.1	17	20	8	14	8	11	13	11	18	8	54.8	74.1	57.1	50	34.8	55	50	52.4	54.5	61.5
II.2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	-	-	-	-	-
DDH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.7	-	-

### B. NEW EXAMINING METHODS AND PROCEDURES

A. All papers were examined by three-hour timed written in-person exams in Examination Schools. Classification procedures were the same as in 2019, pre-pandemic.

C. Candidates were informed directly by email in April and May 2023 detailing the examination methods and procedures.

## Part II – CONDUCT AND OUTCOME OF THE EXAMINATION

### A. GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINATION

Marks withheld because of the boycott prevented the full classification of 38 candidates. The marks were received after the boycott ended; the Board classified the candidates and the results were released to them on 8 November 2023.

59 students sat the examination. 21 were classified in the First Class and 37 in the Upper Second. 1 candidate's results were Incomplete.

MCE Applications – 18 MCE notices were received and were considered by the Board.

**B. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES AND BREAKDOWN OF RESULTS BY GENDER**

There is a significant and worrying gender gap in the proportion of candidates obtaining First class classifications, which it is recommended the course committee considers, alongside comparison data from the History main school, History joint schools, and PPE.

**C. DETAILED NUMBERS ON CANDIDATES' PERFORMANCE IN EACH PART OF THE EXAMINATION**

Reports on candidates' performance in each part of the examination will be supplied in the reports of the History Main School FHS and the report for the Philosophy, Politics and Economics FHS.

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

As above.

**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS**

Dr Nicholas Owen (Chair)

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Prof Ian Forrest

Dr Grant Tapsell

Mr Stephen Tuffnell

Professor Clare Griffiths (External Examiner in History)

Professor Andreas Murr (External Examiner in Politics)