Final Honour School of History and Economics Examiners' Report 2025

Part I

A. Statistics

I. All Candidates

	Number						Percentage (%)					
Class	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
1st	7	5	4	5	6	11	58.3%	38.5%	26.7%	25.0%	42.9%	64.7%
2:1	4	6	10	15	7	6	33.3%	46.2%	66.7%	75.0%	50.0%	35.3%
2:2	-	2	1	-	1	-	-	15.4%	6.7%	-	7.1%	-
3rd	1	-	-	-	-	-	8.3%	-	-	-	-	-
DDH												

II. All candidates divided by male and female

Class	Number											
	2025		2024		2023		2022		2021		2020	
	M	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**
1st	5	2	2	3	1	3	2	3	4	2	10	1
2:1	3	1	1	5	5	5	7	8	2	5	5	1
2:2	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
3rd	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Class	Percentage of Gender (%)											
	2025		2024		2023		2022		2021		2020	
	M	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**	**M**	**F**
1st	55.6%	66.7%	40.0%	37.5%	16.7%	33.3%	22.2%	27.3%	57.1%	28.6%	66.7%	50.0%
2:1	33.3%	33.3%	20.0%	62.5%	83.3%	55.5%	77.8%	72.7%	28.6%	71.4%	33.3%	50.0%
2:2	-	-	40.0%	-	-	11.1%	-	-	14.3%	-	-	-
3rd	11.1%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

III. Gender statistics

Paper	F Avg	M Avg	Diff	F High	M High	F Low	M Low	F 70+	M 70+	F <60	M <60
All	69.5	64.8	4.7								
BIF	65.3	67.0	1.7	70	67	57	67	1 (33%)	0 (33%)	1 (33%)	0 (33%)
EWF	68.0	64.8	3.2	68	69	68	59	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (0%)
FS	69.0	67.9	1.1	69	72	69	64	0 (0%)	3 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
SSg											
SSEE											
Disc											
Thesis	72.0	69.9	2.1	74	76	70	64	2 (67%)	4 (67%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Other	70.1	63.4	6.6	87	78	52	21	11 (367 %)	14 (367 %)	2 (67%)	12 (67%)

B. New examining methods and procedures

All papers were examined by three-hour timed exams in Examination schools.

Part II

A. General comments on the examination

There were 58.3% Firsts this year, a marked increase from 38.5% the previous year.

B. Equality and diversity issues and breakdown of results by gender

66.7% of women attained a First this year compared with 55.6% of men. Both percentages were up from last year, but the small number of women sitting Finals this year (3) means that drawing strong conclusions from this data is difficult.

C. Detailed numbers on candidates' performance in each part of the examination

Thesis: Candidates had the option of choosing to write a thesis in History, Economic History, or in Economics. 10 candidates wrote a thesis in History, with an average mark of 70.3 (marks ranged between 76 and 64). One candidate wrote a thesis in Economic History, attaining a mark of 68. One candidate wrote a thesis in Economics, attaining a mark of 75.

European and World History: 10 candidates took a European and World History paper, with an average mark of 65.1 (marks ranged from 69 to 59)

Further Subject: 8 candidates took a Further Subject, with an average mark of 68.0 (marks ranged from 72 to 64)

D. Comments on papers and individual questions

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