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## NOTICES

# Calendar

18 June, *Friday*. Full Term ends.

- 25 June, Friday. Easter Term ends.
- 30 June, Wednesday. Congregation of the Regent House at 10 a.m. (General Admission). Scarlet day.
- 1 July, Thursday. Congregation of the Regent House at 10 a.m. (General Admission). Scarlet day.

2 July, Friday. Congregation of the Regent House at 10 a.m. (General Admission). Scarlet day.

3 July, Saturday. Congregation of the Regent House at 10 a.m. (General Admission). Scarlet day.

# VACANCIES, APPOINTMENTS, ETC.

# Advisory Committee for the Appointment to the Regius Professorship of Civil Law

The General Board have appointed members of the Advisory Committee for the appointment to the Regius Professorship of Civil Law as follows:

Ms Bridget Kendall, PET, as Chair

Professor Albertina Albors-Llorens, JN Dr Kristine Black-Hawkins Professor Mark Elliott, CTH Professor Wolfgang Ernst, University of Oxford Professor Louise Gullifer, CAI Professor Nils Jansen, University of Münster Professor Jens Scherpe, CAI Professor Stefan Vogenauer, Max Planck Institute for European Legal History

# Electors to the John Lambton Professorship of Autism Research

The Council has appointed members of the *ad hoc* Board of Electors to the John Lambton Professorship of Autism Research as follows:

Professor Anne Ferguson-Smith, DAR, in the Chair, as the Vice-Chancellor's deputy

(a) on the nomination of the Council Professor Francesca Happe, King's College London Professor David Rowitch, CL

(b) on the nomination of the General Board
 Professor Thomas Bourgeron, Institut Pasteur, France
 Professor Edward Bullmore, LC
 Professor Patrick Maxwell, T

 (c) on the nomination of the Faculty Board of Clinical Medicine Professor Simon Baron-Cohen, T
 Professor Tamsin Ford, HH
 Professor Matthew Hurles, Wellcome Sanger Institute

# Electors to the Downing Professorship of the Laws of England

The Council has appointed members of the *ad hoc* Board of Electors to the Downing Professorship of the Laws of England as follows:

Professor Graham Virgo, DOW, in the Chair, as the Vice-Chancellor's deputy

- (a) on the nomination of the Council Professor David Fox, University of Edinburgh Professor Tim Harper, M
- (b) on the nomination of the General Board
  Professor Simon Deakin, PET
  Professor Richard Fentiman, Q
  Professor Corinne Widmer, University of Basel
- (c) on the nomination of the Faculty Board of Law
  Professor Albertina Albors-Llorens, JN
  Professor Mindy Chen-Wishart, University of Oxford
  Professor Mark Elliott, CTH

# Election

Dr JOHN PERRY, K, M.Sc., Ph.D., University of Exeter, MRC Investigator and Programme Leader, MRC Epidemiology Unit, elected Professor of Molecular Endocrinology with effect from 1 October 2021.

# Vacancies in the University

A full list of current vacancies can be found at https://www.jobs.cam.ac.uk

John Lambton Professorship of Autism Research in the Department of Psychiatry; informal enquiries: Professor Simon Baron-Cohen (email: sb205@cam.ac.uk); closing date: 15 July 2021; further details: https://www.jobs.cam.ac.uk/job/30155/; quote reference: RN27002

Laurence Professorship of Classical Archaeology in the Faculty of Classics; informal enquiries: Professor Caroline Vout, Convenor of the Board of Electors (email: cv103@cam.ac.uk); tenure: from 1 October 2022; closing date: 1 September 2021; further details: https://www.jobs.cam.ac.uk/job/30101/; quote reference: GE26954

The University values diversity and is committed to equality of opportunity.

The University has a responsibility to ensure that all employees are eligible to live and work in the UK.

# NOTICES BY THE GENERAL BOARD

## **Probationary Policy**

#### With effect from 1 October 2021

The General Board has agreed to amendments to the Probationary Policy to clarify the probationary arrangements for unestablished Assistant Professors and also to update terminology in the policy from 1 October 2021.

Revised probationary arrangements, including a new policy, were approved in August 2020 (*Reporter*, 2019–20: 6586, p. 495; 6587, p. 552). Changes in academic titles were approved by ballot in December 2020, to take effect from 1 October 2021, subject to the approval of Her Majesty in Council (*Reporter*: 6582, 2019–20, p. 419; 6601, 2020–21, p. 279). A further change, approved as part of the arrangements concerning the Teaching and Scholarship Academic Career Pathway but also subject to Privy Council approval, will insert 'University' into the new titles of certain offices (*Reporter*, 6616, 2020–21, p. 559). Under the revised structure, the office of University Lecturer would be retitled University Assistant Professor prior to completion of probation.

The new policy sets out a probationary period, on appointment to the office of University Assistant Professor, for those on the Research and Teaching Pathway, of five years unless it is reduced to a period of not less than three years or waived. For those in the same position but on the Teaching and Scholarship Pathway, the probationary period is three years unless it is reduced to a period of not less than two years or waived. On successful completion of probation, the officeholder is awarded the title of University Associate Professor (Grade 9).

The policy also confirms that the probationary period for comparable unestablished academic posts and fixed-term offices on the Research and Teaching Academic Career Pathway depends on the length of their contracts.<sup>1</sup> The Teaching and Scholarship Academic Career Pathway provides for the post-probation title to be updated to Associate Teaching Professor. However, neither the Probationary Policy nor the Reports on academic titles and on revised probationary arrangements state whether the fixed-term and comparable unestablished roles under the Research and Teaching Academic Career Pathway will carry a new title on completion of probation.

The General Board has agreed that fixed-term academic offices and comparable unestablished posts under both the Research and Teaching and Teaching and Scholarship Academic Career Pathways will be retitled on successful completion of probation, but after the minimum period of service in each case, i.e. three years for those on the Research and Teaching Pathway and two years for those on the Teaching and Scholarship Pathway. This means that in cases where the probationary period is less than the minimum period, roleholders will retain the existing title and adopt the new title only once they have served that minimum period in that role (which might be following an extension to the period of the original appointment). This aligns with the shortest period a person holding an office of University Assistant Professor would need to serve to meet probationary requirements.

The General Board has also noted that in paragraph 6(l) of its Report on the implementation of the Academic Career Pathways scheme (*Reporter*, 6547, 2018–19, p. 562), it included a reference to confirmation of tenure, which might be misunderstood as indicating that the University had adopted an approach similar to the tenure-track process in US universities. The correct position is that a University Assistant Professor who has met the probationary requirements will be awarded the title of University Associate Professor in recognition of this achievement. It has therefore agreed to replace references in the policy to confirmation of tenure with references to confirmation of appointment and to the ending of tenure with the ending of the appointment.

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 4.2 of the policy. See also the addition to this paragraph made as part of the Teaching and Scholarship Career Pathway proposals (see Annex C).

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The Board is also taking the opportunity to make corrections to the table concerning the length of the probationary period for comparable unestablished academic posts on the Research and Teaching Academic Career Pathways scheme in paragraph 4.2 of the policy. The amendments confirm that the table covers appointments that last exactly two or four years:

Appointment duration	Length of probation period
Up to 1 year	6 months
More than 1 year and up to 2 years	1 year
More than 2 years and up to 4 years	2 years
More than 4 years	3 years

For the same reason, it is also making similar amendments to the table concerning the length of probationary periods for fixed-term posts on the Teaching and Scholarship Academic Career Pathways scheme in paragraph 4.2 of the policy:

Appointment duration	Length of probation period Grade 9 and above	Length of probation period Grades 6–8
Up to 1 year	6 months	6 months
More than 1 year and up to 2 years	1 year	1 year
More than 2 years and up to 4 years	2 years	2 years
More than 4 years	3 years	2 years

# **REGULATIONS FOR EXAMINATIONS**

# **Classical Tripos**

(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 294)

#### With effect from 1 October 2021

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Classics, has approved amendments to the regulations for the Classical Tripos to allow students on the Historical Tripos to borrow Paper D4 as follows:

#### GROUP D (ARCHAEOLOGY).

By adding a footnote to Paper D4 to read as follows:

This paper is also available to candidates for Part II of the Historical Tripos; see p. [347].

# **Energy Technologies for the M.Phil. Degree**

#### (Statutes and Ordinances, p. 528)

#### With effect from 1 October 2022

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Engineering, has approved amendments to the special regulations for the examination in Energy Technologies for the degree of Master of Philosophy (by advanced study) so as to introduce an optional short dissertation plus additional modules, as follows:

#### Regulation 1.

By inserting 'either' above the text of sub-paragraph (a) and adding a new double option after sub-paragraph (b) that reads as follows:

or

(c) twelve modules from a set of mandatory and optional modules;

and

(*d*) a dissertation, of not more than 10,000 words in length, including footnotes, appendices, and bibliography, on a topic approved by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Engineering.

# Future Infrastructure and Built Environment for the M.Res. Degree

#### (Statutes and Ordinances, p. 551)

#### With effect from 1 October 2022

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Engineering, has approved the amendment of the special regulations for the examination in Future Infrastructure and Built Environment for the degree of Master of Research to allow the addition of a part-time option for this award, as follows:

#### Regulation 1.

By replacing the words 'one-year course of study' with 'one-year full-time or two-year part-time course of study' in the text of Regulation 1.

# Architecture for the M.St. Degree (Degree Apprenticeship)

#### (Statutes and Ordinances, p. 560)

#### With effect from 1 October 2021

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Architecture and History of Art, has approved amendments to the special regulations for the examination in Architecture for the degree of Master of Studies (Degree Apprenticeship) to increase the word limit for the essay component as follows:

Regulation 1.

By amending sub-paragraph (*a*) to read as follows:

(*a*) one essay, of between 3,000 and 5,000 words in length, which shall be chosen by the candidate from a list of topics determined by the Department of Architecture and approved by the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Architecture and History of Art;

# **Entrepreneurship for the M.St. Degree**

(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 562)

#### With effect from 1 October 2022

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Faculty Board of Business and Management, have approved the amendment of the special regulations for the examination in Entrepreneurship for the degree of Master of Studies so as to increase the number of modules provided in Regulation 1(a) from ten to thirteen.

# Postgraduate Diploma in Sustainable Business

## (Statutes and Ordinances, p. 601)

#### With effect from 1 October 2022

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Management Committee of the Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership, has approved the amendment of the regulations for the Postgraduate Diploma in Sustainable Business so as to better align the course with planned changes to the examination in Sustainability Leadership for the degree of Master of Studies, as follows:

By amending the Regulation to read as follows:

The Postgraduate Diploma in Sustainable Business shall be administered by the Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership and shall be awarded on the basis of the completion of 60 credits from the Postgraduate Certificate in Sustainable Business, 60 credits gained by attending three workshops and undertaking a programme of virtual learning, and the completion of assessed work equivalent to at least 14,000 words.

## NOTICES BY FACULTY BOARDS, ETC.

# Chemical Engineering Tripos, Part IIB, 2021–22

The Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology Syndicate gives notice that the modules available for study in the academic year 2021–22 will be as stated below.

Topics in Group A and Group D are compulsory for all candidates. The regulations specify that each candidate takes a total of six modules from Groups B and C. The Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology Syndicate imposes the restriction that at least two of these modules should be chosen from Group B, and at least two should be chosen from Group C. Further at least two of the six modules chosen from Groups B and C should be assessed principally or entirely by written examination.

Group	Number and title of module	Mode of assessment	
А	A1: Compulsory topics	Examination and coursework	
	A2: Chemical product design	Coursework	
В	B1: Advanced transport processes Examination		
	B2: Electrochemical engineering	Examination	
	B3: Pharmaceutical engineering	Examination	
	B6: Fluid mechanics and the environment	Examination	
	B7: Interface engineering	Examination	
	B8: Adsorption and advanced nanoporous materials	Coursework	
С	C1: Optical microscopy	Examination	
	C3: Healthcare biotechnology	Coursework	
	C5: Foreign language	Coursework	
	C6: Biosensors and bioelectronics	Coursework	
	C8: Biophysics	Examination	
D	D: Research project		

# Classical Tripos, Part II, 2022–23: Form and conduct

The Faculty Board of Classics gives notice that, with effect from the examinations to be held in 2022–23, the form of the examination for the following papers for Part II of the Classical Tripos will be as specified below:

#### Paper B3: Greek and Roman philosophers on beauty

The examination for this paper will consist of a three-hour written paper which will be undivided. Candidates will be required to attempt three questions. Questions will be formulated so as to be answerable without knowledge of Greek or Latin.

#### Paper D3: Visual narratives

The examination for this paper will consist of a three-hour written paper which will be undivided. Candidates will be required to attempt three questions.

#### Paper X1: Classics live

The examination for this paper will consist of a three-hour written paper which will be undivided. Candidates will be required to attempt three questions.

## ACTA

# Approval of Graces submitted to the Regent House on 3 June 2021

The Graces submitted to the Regent House on 3 June 2021 (*Reporter*, 6620, 2020–21, p. 690) were approved at 4 p.m. on Friday, 11 June 2021.

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# Vacancies

*Pembroke College*: Postdoctoral Research Associate (any subject, up to five available); tenure: one year from 1 September 2021 in the first instance; dining rights and other benefits apply; closing date: 1 July 2021; further details: https://www.pem.cam.ac.uk/the-college/jobvacancies/

Sidney Sussex College: Domestic Bursar (Interim); tenure: full-time, fixed term, from September 2021 to 31 January 2022 (with the potential to extend if required); salary: £51,034–£64,604 a year; closing date: 5 July 2021; further details: https://www.sid.cam.ac.uk/about-sidney/ vacancies/domestic-bursar-interim

# EXTERNAL NOTICES

# **Oxford Notices**

*Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies*; Personal Assistant to the Director; salary: £29,176–£34,804; closing date: 23 July 2021; further details: https://www.oxcis.ac.uk/vacancies-opportunities

*Exeter College*: Stipendiary Lecturer in Philosophy (fixed term); tenure: one year from 1 October 2021; stipend: £20,633–£23,207 plus collegiate benefits; closing date: 9 July 2021 at 12 noon; further details: https://www.exeter.ox.ac.uk/vacancies/stipendiary-lecturer-in-philosophy-fixed-term/

St Cross College Centre for the History and Philosophy of Physics: NASA Chief Scientist, Dr Jim Green, will give a lecture entitled '*The Martian – science fiction and science fact*', at 5 p.m. on 23 July 2021 via Zoom; details and joining instructions: https://www.stx.ox.ac.uk/event/the-martian-science-fiction-and-science-fact

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