

FHS in COMPUTER SCIENCE
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FHS MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE

PART C EXAMINATIONS

MINI PROJECTS - HILARY TERM 2020

NOTICE TO CANDIDATES

Full particulars of the examinations are given in the [Examination Regulations 2019](#), and the Examination Conventions for 2019/20 which can be found at

<http://www.cs.ox.ac.uk/teaching/examinations/>

1. Written Examinations

The following courses will be examined by a sit down exam which will take place in Trinity Term 2020. The exams will be sat in the [Examination Schools](#), and you will have 3 hours to complete the papers. A Notice to Candidates will be circulated in Trinity Term with further information.

- Computational Game Theory
- Probabilistic Model Checking

2. Submitted Mini-project(s)

Release Date

The mini-projects (take-home assignments) for each course may be downloaded from WebLearn from 12.00 noon on the date shown:

Friday 13th March (Week 8, Hilary Term):

- Advanced Security
- Categorical Quantum Mechanics
- Database Systems Implementation
- Law and Computer Science
- Probability and Computing
- Topics in Computational Biology

Submitting a mini-project

The following mini-projects must be submitted online through WebLearn by **12:00 noon, Tuesday 14th April** (Week Minus 1, Trinity Term):

- Advanced Security
- Categorical Quantum Mechanics
- Database Systems Implementation
- Law and Computer Science
- Probability and Computing

Please note that your candidate number should be the only means of identification of your work. Please ensure that you include your candidate number on the front page of each mini-project submitted. **DO NOT include your name or Student Number.** You can obtain your candidate number through Student Self Service (for guidance on using the Student Self Service, please visit: <http://www.ox.ac.uk/students/selfservice/>). Should you encounter any problems doing this then please contact a member of the academic admin team.

The following must be submitted on paper to Examination Schools **by Monday 4th May** (Week 2, Trinity Term):

- Topics in Computational Biology

Please find a separate Notice to Candidates from Statistics regarding this.

Please note that your candidate number should be the only means of identification of your work. Please ensure that you include your candidate number on the front page of each mini-project submitted. **DO NOT include your name or Student Number.** You can obtain your candidate number through Student Self Service (for guidance on using the Student Self Service, please visit: <http://www.ox.ac.uk/students/selfservice/>). Should you encounter any problems doing this then please contact Lucy Traves (graduate.studies@cs.ox.ac.uk).

Once mini-projects have been published they are not to be shared or discussed with other students on or outside of the course. Please note, where mini-projects are set for candidates studying a different degree programme the material covered in the mini-project may be similar but may not be identical.

[Guidelines for mini-projects](#)

Please refer to [Appendix A](#).

3. Practicals

You will be required to submit your practical work for all your courses in one bundle in Trinity Term. Details of the submission date and time will follow shortly.

Please do not submit the practical work from your Hilary Term courses with your mini-projects, **but please do keep the work in a safe place until required for submission.**

Please remember that you need to obtain an overall pass in your practicals to be able to pass Part C. See the Course Handbook for details.

4. Problems

You **MUST NOT** contact any member of the Examination Board, your supervisor, or lecturer in charge of the course with any queries about the mini-project. Please address any such queries to

a member of the academic admin team (academic.administrator@cs.ox.ac.uk), who will advise you of the next steps. You must do so no later than **12 noon on Wednesday 25th March 2020**.

For questions about your exams in general, please feel free to contact any member of the academic administration team.

Professor I. Horrocks

Chairman of Examiners

Final Honour Schools of Computer Science, Part C, Computer Science & Philosophy, Part C and
Mathematics and Computer Science, Part C

February 2020

Appendix A

A mini-project will normally take the form of a tutorial sheet containing several questions on the course, and will also contain new exercises. While you are free to work until the submission date, the expectation is that you will spend between three and four days per mini-project, including preparatory reading.

1. If you plan to complete your mini-projects away from Oxford, make sure that you have access to adequate computing resources, including email.

Please note that some of your mini-projects have page limits, as set out in your student handbook. If there is no page limit, you should aim at writing about 10 pages. For any mini-projects which are submitted on paper (which does not apply to any courses taught in Michaelmas Term, but might apply to some courses later in the academic year), use one side of the paper only, and use standard A4. If you write by hand, write legibly. Illegible scripts will be transcribed at your cost, as laid out in the [examination regulations](#).

2. If you think you will have trouble with completing all the mini-projects you planned to do, and want to drop one of them, discuss this with your college tutor. If you do decide to drop a mini-project, make sure you advise Jo Ponting **before 9th March**. The same applies if you change your mind about which mini-projects you want to take, or if you want to complete an additional one.
3. When submitting your mini-projects as a paper copy, you will have to complete a Declaration Form attesting that they are your own work, except where indicated. For assessed work submitted online, the declaration will be an on-screen form. Failure to correctly acknowledge your sources is plagiarism, which is treated as a very serious disciplinary offence. Please consult the University web site regarding plagiarism

(<http://www.ox.ac.uk/students/academic/guidance/skills/plagiarism>),

and the detailed guidance on plagiarism in your student handbook.

YOU SHOULD NOT show your mini-project to, or discuss it, with any other student.

YOU SHOULD NOT ask or seek to look at anybody else's work.

Please note, where mini-projects are set for candidates studying a different degree programme the material covered in the mini-project may be similar but may not be identical.

If you use material from any other source such as textbooks, lecture notes or the web, then you should reference it explicitly at the relevant point. Your college tutor can give you guidance on proper referencing; for more guidance see

<https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/academic/guidance/skills>

<http://www.cs.ox.ac.uk/files/3161/Referencing.pdf>

There is also an [online course on WebLearn](#), which provides an overview of plagiarism and the issues surrounding it, and will be beneficial for you to take.

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DECLARATION OF AUTHORSHIP

Name (in capitals):

Candidate number:

College (in capitals):

Supervisor(s)/Co-Supervisor(s):

Title of [thesis/essay/assignment] (in capitals):

Word count: _____

Please tick to confirm the following:

I have read and understood the University's disciplinary regulations concerning conduct in examinations and, in particular, the regulations on plagiarism (The University Student Handbook Section 8.8; available at <https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/academic/student-handbook>).

I have read and understood the Education Committee's information and guidance on academic good practice and plagiarism at <https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/academic/guidance/skills?wssl=1>.

The [thesis/dissertation/extended essay/assignment/project/other submitted work] I am submitting is entirely my own work except where otherwise indicated.

It has not been submitted, either partially or in full, either for this Honour School or qualification or for another Honour School or qualification of this University (except where the Special Regulations for the subject permit this), or for a qualification at any other institution.

I have clearly indicated the presence of all material I have quoted from other sources, including any diagrams, charts, tables or graphs.

I have clearly indicated the presence of all paraphrased material with appropriate references.

I have acknowledged appropriately any assistance I have received in addition to that provided by my [tutor/supervisor/adviser].

I have not copied from the work of any other candidate.

I have not used the services of any agency providing specimen, model or ghost written work in the preparation of this thesis/dissertation/extended essay/assignment/project/other submitted work. (See also section 2.4 of Statute XI on University Discipline under which members of the University are prohibited from providing material of this nature for candidates in examinations at this University or elsewhere: <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/statutes/352-051a.shtml>).

I agree to retain an electronic copy of this work until the publication of my final examination result, except where submission in hand-written format is permitted.

I agree to make any such electronic copy available to the examiners should it be necessary to confirm my word count or to check for plagiarism

Candidate's signature:

Date: