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**FHS in Computer Science and  
FHS in Mathematics and Computer Science  
FHS in Computer Science and Philosophy**

**PART B EXAMINATIONS**

**NOTICE TO CANDIDATES – Computers in Society  
HILARY TERM 2021**

Full particulars of the examinations are given in the [Examination Regulations 2020](#), and the Examination Conventions for 2020/21 can be found at

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

**1. Submitting a Mini-project**

Release Date

The mini-project (take-home assignment) for Computers in Society may be downloaded from WebLearn from 12.00 noon on **Friday of week 8, Hilary Term (12<sup>th</sup> March)**.

Submitting the mini-project

You should submit the mini-project online through WebLearn before **12:00 noon, Tuesday 13th April** (Week Minus 1, Trinity Term).

A practice assignment is available now from:

<https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/x/kXS6IW>

Please use the cover sheet provided on WebLearn. Your candidate number should be the only means of identification of your work.

**DO NOT include your name or Student Number.** You can obtain your candidate number through Student Self Service. For guidance on using Student Self Service, please visit <https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/selfservice>. Should you encounter any problems doing this, please contact a member of the academic admin team.

Guidelines for mini-projects

Please refer to Appendix A.



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It is important that you name your file correctly when submitting it. Please use the following format: candidate number and name of assignment. Otherwise we will not be able to identify your submission!

**i.e. 1234567-Computers-in-Society.pdf**

You will not be able to resubmit your assignment once you have uploaded your file.

## 2. Problems

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

If you think an exam question contains an error, please email the Academic Admin Team ([academic.administrator@cs.ox.ac.uk](mailto: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 24 March 2021**. Please note that we will **NOT** respond to any queries concerning the answers to exam questions.

**For questions about your exams in general, please feel free to contact a member of the academic admin team.**

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## **Appendix A Guidelines for mini-projects**

A mini-project will normally take a similar form to a tutorial sheet and will contain several questions on the course, and will also contain new exercises. While you are free to work until the hand-in date, the expectation is that you will spend around 3 - 4 days per mini-project, including preparatory reading.

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 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, 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](#).

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 (a) the University web site regarding plagiarism (<http://www.ox.ac.uk/students/academic/guidance/skills/plagiarism>) and (b) 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.

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 supervisor can give you guidance on proper referencing, or for more guidance see

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

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

There is also an online course on WebLearn, a link to which can be found at <https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/academic/guidance/skills/plagiarism> which provides an overview of plagiarism and the issues surrounding it, and will be beneficial for you to take.