FINAL HONOUR SCHOOLS OF MATHEMATICS, MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE, MATHEMATICS & PHILOSOPHY, MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS
PART B 2025-2026

Notice to Candidates Offering Coursework

General Instructions

Submission of Hard Copy

- You will not be required to submit a hard copy during the 2025-26 academic year.

Submission of Electronic Copy

- Candidates must submit an electronic version of their work via **Inspera** (https://oxford.inspera.com/) by the deadline given for your option below. Guidance on using Inspera is available here: https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/academic/exams/online-coursework-submissions-inspera
- Please give the file you are submitting your candidate number as its name. You should **not include any identifying information** other than your candidate number.
- Please note that it is essential that your coursework is submitted on time.
- Information on technical support with Inspera, including what to do if you are unable to submit due to technical issues, is available via: https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/academic/exams/submission

Declaration of Authorship
You will be asked to complete the declaration of authorship as part of the electronic submission process. You do not need to upload a separate form.

Plagiarism
Candidates are reminded of the importance of avoiding any suspicion of plagiarism, as explained in the "Guidance Notes on Projects" available via: https://www.maths.ox.ac.uk/members/students/undergraduate-courses/teaching-and-learning/part-b-students/projects/part-b-projects. For further guidance, please see: http://www.ox.ac.uk/students/academic/guidance/skills/plagiarism

The Mathematical Institute's policy on the use of generative AI in summatively assessed work is available via: https://www.maths.ox.ac.uk/members/students/departmental-and-university-regulations. The policy outlines the permissible use of AI. Students are asked to complete a Declaration of AI use at the point of submission. The AI policy provides an example of how this declaration should be completed.

Late Submission of or Failure to Submit Coursework
The Examination Regulations stipulate specific dates for submission of coursework to the examiners. This includes the BOE extended essays, BSP projects, BO1.1 extended essays and any coursework you need to complete if you take a course taught by another department. Rules governing late submission and any consequent penalties are set out in full in the Examination Regulations (Regulations for the Conduct of University Examinations, Part 14).

If you will be prevented by illness or other urgent cause from submitting your coursework on time you should contact your college office or college tutor as soon as possible. Your college is able to submit an application for an extension of time to the Proctors on your behalf.

The scale of penalties agreed by the board of examiners in relation to late submissions of assessed items, without an accepted reason, is set out below.

Table 1. Late Submission Tariff

Lateness	Penalty
Up to 4 hours	1%
4–24 hours	10%
24–48 hours	20%
48–72 hours	30%
72 hours– 14 days	35%
More than 14 days late	Fail

Note: The penalty will be a percentage reduction of the maximum total mark available for the work. For example, if a 10% penalty is applied to an assessment given a USM out of 100 then 10 marks would be deducted. The final mark awarded after application of the penalty cannot be below 0.

Failure to submit a required element of assessment, without an accepted reason, will result in the failure of the whole of Part B. In such a case, the examiners will award a fail for each of the Part B assessments.

Option Specific Instructions

BOE
The word limit for BOE essays is 7500 words.

Your essay should be submitted no later than 12 noon on **Tuesday 28th April 2026.**

BO1.1 History of Mathematics
The word limit for the essay is 3000 words.

Your essay should be submitted no later than 12 noon on **Tuesday 24th March 2026**.

BSP Structured Projects

Project
The page limit for the project is 25-35 pages.

Your project should be submitted no later than 12 noon on **Tuesday 24th March 2026**.

Peer Review Report
The word limit for the report is 1000 words.

Your report should be submitted no later than 12 noon on **Tuesday 28th April 2026.** Your review should be clearly marked with your own candidate number and the number of the script you have reviewed (which will be an internal number, not a candidate number).

Prof. Alain Goriely FRS
Chair of Part B Examiners
25 February 2026