Exam Procedures

Students will take the written exam over two days, each day devoted to one area. Questions will arrive via email in the morning, with answers due within nine hours. Students can expect to write about 15-25 double-spaced pages each day.

The oral exam will take place no more than seven days after the written exams. It is the student’s responsibility to schedule this exam. Exams will last about an hour and a half and will proceed as follows: The first examiner will take about 20-25 minutes for questions, with 10 minutes for follow-up questions from the second examiner and 10 minutes for follow-up questions from the moderator. Then the second examiner will take about 20-25 minutes for questions, with 10 minutes for follow-up questions from the first examiner and 10 minutes for follow-up questions from the moderator. After time to confer, examiners will convey results and comments on the written and oral portions of the exam.