

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

M.Phil. EXAMINATION
for Internal Students

PHILOSOPHY

Ethics

Tuesday, 9 May 2006: 10.00 – 13.00

Candidates should answer **THREE** of the following **THIRTEEN** questions, avoiding overlap in their answers, also between papers.

1. How, if at all, does making a promise to do something oblige us to do it?
2. Is to blame someone to criticize them for being unreasonable?
3. How, if at all, can friendship give rise to obligations?
4. 'Any justification for being moral must derive from some benefit which being moral brings.' Discuss.
5. How far is morality ever a form of law?
6. Is there such a thing as a distinctively moral responsibility, and in what might it consist?
7. What is it for reason to be practical?
8. How far is moral enquiry ever a form of conceptual enquiry?
9. In determining what to do in a given circumstance should one aggregate the claims of others?
10. Does the practical nature of morality preclude the possibility of moral knowledge?
11. Is the existence of moral dilemmas consistent with the principle that 'ought' implies 'can'?
12. What does it mean for a moral judgment to be impartial, and why do we value this impartiality when making moral judgments?
13. Is every instance of wrong-doing identifiable by a moral principle?

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