



UNIVERSITY OF  
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**CLASSICAL TRIPOS Part II**  
**Group D Archaeology**

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Friday 1 June 2007 9 to 12

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Paper D4

ROMAN CITIES

*Answer **three** questions, including at least **one** from **Section A** and at least **one** from **Section B**.*

*Credit will be given for relevant plans and sketches.*

**Candidates who do not write legibly may find themselves at a grave disadvantage.**

**Irrelevance will be penalised.**

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS

20 Page Booklet x 1  
Rough Work Pad x 1

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

None

**You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed that you may do so by the Invigilator**

## SECTION A

- 1 'Old questions derived from historical studies continue to frame the research agenda'. Is that a fair generalization about the study of Roman cities?
- 2 What place do you see the city of Rome as occupying in a general study of Roman cities?
- 3 **Either** (a) Is it helpful to define urban regions in terms of the history and pattern of urban development?  
**Or** (b) What inferences may be made from studying urban distributions?
- 4 Do you think Roman city planning was more about imposing models or adjusting them to express local identities?
- 5 **Either** (a) What does a study of public places of entertainment reveal about the uniformity or otherwise of Roman city life in different regions?  
**Or** (b) What inferences can we make about the social organisation of populations in different cities from urban housing?
- 6 Discuss the transformation of urban centres in the first centuries BC and AD.

## SECTION B

- 7 Evaluate Cosa and the Ager Cosanus as a model for colonization in Italy.
- 8 What contribution to the study of urbanism in Republican Italy has been made by the recent geophysical work at Falerii Novi and Forum Novum?
- 9 From a brief survey of the bathing facilities of Pompeii and Lepcis Magna do you think the public baths played the same role in those two cities?
- 10 What has the study of Tarraco and the Ager Tarraconensis revealed about the relationships between provincial capitals and their hinterlands?
- 11 How exceptional among Roman cities were Ostia and Portus?
- 12 What does a comparison of Lepcis Magna and Verulamium reveal about Roman cities?

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