

Home Exam common instructions

Conditions

You may, at wish, write a thesis together with a fellow course student participating in this exam. Pair writers write one common text for each question, and hand in each text once (by the oldest student). Both pair-writers receive the same markings for each of the questions of the exam. There is no marking penalty for pair-writing.

Apart from the above exception, do not discuss the exam with anyone until after the hand-in deadline.

Sources and References

- Use the Harvard referencing system; see Chalmers library reference guide. When using a reference system (e.g. EndNote or Word), use APA 6th.
- Make sure to refer to all texts you use (see Academic Honesty and Integrity at Chalmers, available at the Student Portal).

Format for Submission

- Submit your answers electronically in PDF format by the hand-in function in Ping Pong before the deadline. If you are a first-time user of the hand-in function, you might want to explore it before your hand-in (you can supersede but not delete files until the deadline). Use e-mail as backup only in the case of you recognizing that Ping Pong is unavailable (system is down).
- Hand-in a single PDF file per question.
- Let the first page of each PDF file be an almost blank cover page with the below information.
- Do not state your name anywhere. Instead, use your eleven-position civic number, (a) as file name and (b) on the top of cover page. Do not state your civic numbers anywhere else.
- File name examples:

811202-T312.pdf (for single writers)

790227-8181&840115-0701.pdf (for pair-writers; oldest student first, please)

- For pair-writers, only the oldest student does the hand-in.
- The page limit (listed by each question) is excluding the cover page and excluding references. Use font size 12, ordinary line spacing etcetera.

Marking Criteria

In these types of exams there are rarely any definite right or wrongs. Marking is therefore a qualitative act. This means that individual texts may vary a great deal but still be marked with the same number of points. Use any relevant text in Maylor and the pre-reading texts, as well as additional references. Note that you are not supposed to just reproduce the theory, but rather to use it as a basis for your argumentation and discussion. We will consider:

- Compliance with format and referencing requirements (see above).
- Content/Subject area treatment, structured reasoning, ability to reflect
- Clarity of thought and formulation stringency (logical consistency)
- Whether or not your conclusions are valid in relation to the subject of your discussion and, of course, what conclusions you draw
- Use of theory: selection, and how they are appraised (understanding, depth of analysis)

40 points is maximum. 40% of the sum of all questions of this exam is required to pass.

Results and review

The results will be posted in Ping-pong before three weeks after the hand-in deadline. Review can be carried out by appointment, within three weeks after the results were posted.