My examiner's feedback is as follows.

The exam was generally well done with the majority of students able to give competent answers to the questions that they tackled. Very few students were able to produce responses at the very highest end of the scale and mostly this was due to the fact that there was not sufficient critical analysis. This is not to say that the essays lacked critical or analytic qualities, more that the level of the analysis was quite basic and often anchored in the student's own impressions rather than rigorously argued on empirical or logical grounds. There were occasional stand out exam papers and as always there were a good number of stand out individual responses to questions, however, students offering consistently high quality responses to all questions attempted were few.

What I was very pleased with was that so many papers ended up averaging about 65%, this resulted from the fact that the majority of papers were just very competent with the core ideas, theories and thinkers relevant to the course and could communicate a quite acceptable level of understanding of these under the stressful conditions of an exam. As always I stress that consistent answers across all questions leads to a well balanced paper and is the best way of guarding against slipping into the lower mark categories or even failing. This was achieved by most students, although I would have been pleased to have seen a few more responses entering the highest mark range of 85% and above.

Ultimately I was pleased with the way students conducted themselves in this exam.

Yours,

Philip