

Uganda Martyrs University  
FACULTY OF EDUCATION  
END OF SEMESTER ONE EXAMINATIONS 2023/2024  
BACHELOR OF ARTS WITH EDUCATION  
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY  
YEAR THREE

BHI 3103: HISTORY OF POLITICAL THOUGHT AND IDEAS

Date: 14 . DEC.2023

Time: 9:30-12:30PM

**Instructions:**

- Attempt any Four Questions
  - All Questions Carry Equal Marks
  - Start each question on a fresh page
  - Do not write anything on this question paper.
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1. Identify and explain the necessity of teaching the history of political thoughts and ideas to University teachers in the making and to be?  
(25 Marks)
  2. Analyse the role of psychology, philosophy and politics in understanding the history of political thoughts and ideas  
(25 Marks)
  3. Critically assess Plato's contributions in line with ideal state, philosopher kings and justice.  
  
(25 Marks)
  4. Examine the similarities and differences between John Locke's and Rousseau's conceptions on the state of nature and social contract.  
(25 Marks)
  5. Assess Aristotle's views and shortcomings about the nature of the ideal state, slavery and citizenship.  
(25 Marks)
  6. Discuss the ways in which the modern political theory and practice appears to be indebted from Plato and Aristotle as the ancient political thinkers.  
(25 Marks)
  7. Some commentators have seen Niccolle Machiavelli as the "Teacher of evil", others have seen him as a classical republican political theorist. Critically, examine the

relevance and applicability of Nicolle Machiavelli's views and philosophy to the Ugandan situation.

(25 Marks)

8. To what extent did the Ujaama system of Julius Nyerere attempt to solve the dangers of Neo-colonialism in Tanzania

(25 Marks)

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