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FACULTY OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY
1ST SEMESTER EXAMINATION 2023/2024 ACADEMIC SESSION

YEAR THREE

COURSE: PHI 309 – PHIL. OF LITERATURE

Instructions: Answer Three Questions.

3HRS

1. Discuss the relationship between Philosophy and Literature (20 marks)
2. Can truth be derived from fiction? (20 marks)
3. Has fiction any relationship with morality (20 marks)
4. In *Things Fall Apart* Chinua Achebe portrays Okonkwo as a tragic character, a victim of fate who could not rise beyond his *chi* into greatness in spite of all his hard-work, enterprise and achievements. Give a metaphysical analysis of this situation (20 marks).
5. Wole Soyinka's *Death and the King's Horseman* is a story about ritual suicide in Yoruba Land and the belief that it is essential for their survival. Give an ethical assessment of that tradition and cultural implication (20 marks).
6. *Animal Farm* depicts human quest for power and human vulnerability to manipulation and domination. Discuss this interplay from an anthropological point of view (20 marks).

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FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION QUESTIONS. 2022/2023 SESSION
COURSE: PHI 309: PHILOSOPHY AND LITERATURE
CLASS: PHILOSOPHY THREE

Instructions: Answer only three Questions. Time: 3 Hours

- ✓ 1. Can truth be arrived at through fiction? (20 marks)
- ✓ 2. If fiction is unreal story how can it inspire morality as a guide to human action? (20 marks)
3. Literature can provide great insights to the understanding of Philosophy. True or False. Discuss. (20 marks)
4. From Chinua Achebe's *Anthills of the Savannah* illustrate how literature can contribute to the understanding of philosophy by referring to passages or aspects of the storyline that touch on metaphysics, epistemology, ethics and/or aesthetics. (20 marks)
5. With reference to *The Beautiful Ones Are Not Yet Born* by Ayi Kwei Armah demonstrate the interplay between ethics and anthropology in the life of the man that was the main character of the novel. (20 marks)
6. *Death and the King's Horseman* was a real-life event rendered into drama by Wole Soyinka. Discuss how metaphysics is lived out in the cosmology and belief system of the Yoruba people. (20 marks)

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**SOC 301: SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION
PHILOSOPHY THREE**

INSTRUCTIONS: ATTEMPT ONLY THREE QUESTIONS. TIME: 3 HRS.

1. Sociology of Religion is defined as the branch of Sociology that deals with what religion is, how it works, and what effects it has in the society. Explain in details these tripartite aspects of Sociology of religion as the essential ingredients of the discipline. (20 Marks)
2. Scholars have bothered themselves as to whether Sociology of Religion is a science. Notwithstanding the argument for or against such debate, defend the position that Sociology of Religion is a science. (20 Marks)
3. Nadel (1954, p. ix) examined four “capacities” or “competencies” of religion. With good examples, explain “the capacity of religion to furnish certain supplements to the view of the world of experience” and “its competence to hold together societies and sustain their structures.”
4. It is generally believed that there are three basic elements that are found in each religion or majority of religion. Mention and discuss them.
5. (i) One of the elements of liturgy is sacrifice. What is sacrifice?
(ii) Mention, but discuss extensively four types of sacrifice.
6. There are five basic social institutions in the society. Mention but discuss only two extensively.

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1ST SEMESTER 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR
PHILOSOPHY THREE
INTRODUCTION TO ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS (GES 301)

Instruction: Attempt only three questions. Time allowed 3hrs

- 1a) Explain briefly the meaning of entrepreneurship
- b) What are the benefits of entrepreneurship to the society? (20%)
- 2) Explain briefly, four barriers to entrepreneurship development in Nigeria. (20%)
- 3a) Who is an entrepreneur?
- b) Explain three sources of business opportunities available to entrepreneur. (20%)
- 4) The characteristics of an entrepreneur can be classified as psychological, sociological and economic. Explain briefly each of the three. (20%)
- 5a) What is leadership within the context of entrepreneurial skills?
- b) Explain briefly four leadership skills of an entrepreneur. (20%)
- 6a) What is creativity?
- b) Explain briefly two internal barriers to the entrepreneur's creativity. (20%)

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INTRODUCTION TO ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS (GES 301)

Instruction: attempt only three questions

Time allowed: 3

hrs

1. List the four elements in Venture Creation. Explain two of the elements
2. What are the benefits of entrepreneurship to the entrepreneur?
3. There are barriers to Entrepreneurship development in Nigeria. Explain six of the barriers.
4. Explain six vital skills required of an entrepreneur to be successful
5. Explain briefly the following terms
 - (a) Entrepreneur (b) Vision (c) Creativity
6. As regulatory bodies for businesses in Nigeria, Explain briefly the functions of the following bodies
 - (a) Ministry of Trade and commerce
 - (b) National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC).

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PHILOSOPHY III

PHI 301: METAPHYSICS

Answer Any Three Questions

Time: 3 Hours

- ✓ 1. In its study of being, ontology uses categories. Discuss those ontological categories. (20%)
- 2. Has God a real relation with the world or a relation of reason? Expatiate. (20%)
- 3. Elaborate on the transcendental properties of being. (20%)
- 4. Discuss the argument of the proponents of bundle theory against the notion of substance. (20%)
- ✓ 5. Discuss the idea of internal and external necessity within the argument of free will and determinism. (20%) ① ②
- ✓ 6. List and expatiate on the four features of mental causation according to John Searle. (20%) ① ①

Good luck

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PHILOSOPHY III

PHI 301: METAPHYSICS Time: 3 Hours

Answer Any Three Questions

1. Discuss the notion of substance according to Aristotle. (20%)
2. Explain briefly the understanding of God by the Middle Platonism and Neo-Platonism. (20%)
3. Compare Aristotle's and Aquinas' understanding of the human person. (20%)
4. Do rational agents exercise control over their actions? Discuss this in relation to the problem of freewill and determinism. (20%) ②
5. Briefly discuss the evolution of metaphysics in the history of philosophy. (20%)
6. John Scarle argued that mental phenomena are features of the brain. Expatiate. (20%) ①

Good luck

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**Phil. 301: Metaphysics
YEAR III**

Instruction: Answer any three questions only

Time: 3hrs

1. In Book IV of *Metaphysics*, Aristotle defines metaphysics as "the science of being qua being." Carefully analyze (not mere discussion) the above definition of metaphysics by Aristotle in relation to his categorical framework, as ontology, according to Stephan Korner.
2. Immanuel Kant's metaphysical agnosticism is the foundation of logical positivism. Carefully examine the above assertion in line with Kant's and logical positivists' critique of speculative metaphysics.
3. According to Heidegger, "phenomenology is a science of the manifestation of being." Carefully discuss and link the above Heidegger's definition of phenomenology with his idea of phenomenological ontology.
4. The word "metaphysics" originated accidentally, when Andronicus of Rhodes around 70BC was editing the treatises of Aristotle. Painstakingly evaluate this accidental origin of metaphysics in line with the actual nature of metaphysics.
5. Carefully evaluate the concept of "Dasien" as the focal point of Heidegger's analysis of being.
6. Scrutinize carefully, the concept of intellectual integrity as Friedrich Nietzsche's unique style of questioning the metaphysical foundations of western philosophy.

Good Luck!

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FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION 2022/2023

BSTH 315: Apostolic Vocation

Philosophy Three

Instruction: Answer three questions only

Time: Two Hours

1. The whole Church is apostolic in two ways. Discuss.
2. The whole community of believers is priestly. Discuss.
3. Why do you think that it is important to recognize the priesthood and the apostleship that falls to lay people?
4. The Church considers the ministerial priesthood a gift to her. Discuss.
5. List five factors that affect apostolic vocation and discuss any two.
6. With a reasoned argument, substantiate the fact that no member of the Church is ever off duty.

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BSTH 315: APOSTOLIC VOCATION
YEAR III

Instruction: Answer any three questions only

Time 2hrs

1. With a reasoned argument, substantiate the fact that no member of the Church is ever off duty in the apostolic life of the Church.
- ✓ 2. The whole body of Christ's faithful people is apostolic in two ways. Discuss.
3. The members of Christ's faithful people who share in the common priesthood can act priestly and apostolic. How can their action said to be priestly and apostolic?
- ✓ 4. Write a short note on the necessity of the ministerial priesthood in the Church.
5. What do you understand by the term Apostolic Vocation?
- ✓ 6. There are factors that affect apostolic vocation. List six of these factors and discuss three.

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First Semester Examination for 2021/2022 Academic Session

Course: African Philosophy (PHI 307)

Duration: 3hours

Class: Philosophy Three

Instruction: Answer ANY three Questions

1. Discuss the concept of human destiny and freedom in African ontology from the perspectives of Igbo, Akan and Yoruba traditional thoughts.
2. With your knowledge of a given African ontology, evaluate the debate on whether there is or not the idea of the Supreme Being on the traditional African religious thought. (1)
3. Evaluate Mbiti's saying: "I am because We are" in the context of the relationship between the individual and the community in African worldview.
4. Is African Science true Science? What are the differences between Western and African methods of science? (2)
5. With your knowledge of African traditional medicine, discuss the implications of Covid 19 pandemic on Africa Identity. (3)
6. Discuss the response of African Philosophers to the mind-body problem.

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Course: African Philosophy (PHI 307)

Duration: 3hours

Class: Philosophy Three

Instruction: Answer ANY three Questions

1. Respond to the statement made by Menkiti that "...As far as Africans are concerned, the reality of the communal world takes precedence over the reality of individual life histories."

2. Discuss the reality and method of African Science. (3)

3. What do you understand by the concept, "African Epistemology?" fact
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4 With your knowledge of the Philosophy of African Medical science, discuss the implications of Covid 19 on African Identity. (1)

5. How did traditional Africans tackle the problem of Freedom and Determinism? (2)

6. Discuss the debate on the idea of Supreme Being in African Ontology. (1)

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Course: African Philosophy (PHI 307)

Instruction: Answer ANY three Questions

Duration: 3 hours

1. How did scholars react to the idea of the Supreme Being in Igbo (African) Ontology? (20%) ①
2. Discuss the concept of freedom and determinism in Traditional Africa Thought. (20%) ②
- ✓ 3. What is African Science? What are the relationships between Western and African methods of science? (20%) ③
4. How can Contemporary African Primary Health Care be decolonized for affordability and accessibility of Health care service to all? (20%)
- ✓ 5. Investigate the relationships between the individual and the community in African Worldview. (20%)
- ✓ 6. How did traditional Africans tackle the Body- Mind Problem? (20%)

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BPSY 302: PSYCHOLOGY OF RELIGION

PHILOSOPHY THREE

INSTRUCTION: ATTEMPT ANY THREE QUESTIONS ONLY TIME: 3HRS.

1. State the four major theories of psychology of religion and explain anyone.
- ✓ 2. What is religious prejudice and how can one control its negative effects?
3. Explain briefly the methods of studying psychology of religion.
- ✓ 4. What is belief system and list the predictors of faith evolution.
- ✓ 5. What are the attitudinal / behavioral significances of religious symbols?
6. Briefly explain the following:
 - a. Prejudice.
 - b. Stereotypes.
 - c. Tolerance

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PHI 305: SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

INSTRUCTION: ATTEMPT ANY THREE QUESTIONS. Time: 3hrs.

1. Evaluate Thomas Hobbes' idea of the Leviathan as the sovereign of the state. (20%)
2. Compare and contrast the social contract theories of Thomas Hobbes and John Locke. (20%)
3. Expose Plato's understanding of an ideal state. (20%)
4. Evaluate Thrasymachus' notion of 'Might is Right' with emphasis on the use of political power and authority in Nigeria. (20%)
5. Appraise Aristotle's viewpoint on the origin of the state and types of government. (20%)
6. What is political legitimacy? identify and explain the sources of political legitimacy as outlined by Max Weber. (20%)

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Philosophy 3
Socio-political Philosophy - Phil 305

Instruction: Answer **three** questions. Each carries 20marks

3Hrs

- ✓ 1. Define Socio-political philosophy.
- 2. What do you understand by social contract in the context of the Origin of the State?
- 3. Who is Thomas Hobbes and what influenced his social contract theory?
- ✓ 4. Describe the State of Nature according to John Locke.
- ✓ 5. What is sovereignty?
- 6. How does the sociological school of thought describe Law in modern times?

Grotius "the supreme political power of a state is vested on him whose acts are a
to another and whose wills are not overridden."

Jellinek definition can be summed up as the characteristic of the state whose wills legally
the citizens.

Laski "The supreme power above all individuals and group".

Supreme
Permanent

Inalienable
Indivisible

universal, absolute

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PHILOSOPHY 3

Methodology of Research and Writing in Philosophy (PHI 310)

Answer any three questions only 3hrs

- ✓ 1. Research as a scientific method is basically a tripartite exercise of Searching, Reporting, and Referencing (S2R). Discuss. (20%)
- ✓ 2. What is the relationship between research and philosophy? (20%)
- 3. Write short notes on the following features of research as a rational enquiry (a) Focus (b) accuracy (c) coherence (d) clarity (e) concision (20%)
- 4. How do the following tools help to manifest the philosophic nature of a research work (a) language (b) logic (c) criticism (d) analysis (20%)
- 5. Use any books of your choice to document the footnote and bibliography of the following sources, using the Turabian style: (a) a book with two authors (b) a (c) a chapter of an edited book (d) the forward of a book written by a different person (e) an online version of a journal article. (20%)
- ✓ 6. Make a critical distinction between the following (a) background of the study and statement of the problem (b) historical review of literature and thematic review of literature. (20%)

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PHI 304: PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE

INSTRUCTION: ATTEMPT ANY THREE QUESTIONS. Time: 3hrs.

1. Define model as a scientific concept. Examine the crisis with the representational styles of models. (20%)
2. Examine the problem of demarcation in Philosophy of Science. (20%)
3. (A) Hume described deduction as demonstrative and induction as probabilistic. Why?
(B) Critically expose Hume's concerns on induction. (20%)
4. (A) Define the following terms: Data, Shaping Principles and Working Hypothesis. (B) What is the concern of philosophy with these scientific terms and processes? (20%)
5. Evaluate Feyerabend's anarchistic conception of science. (20%)
6. Examine critically William Ockham's principle of Parsimony. (20%)