

**PLS1501**

May/June 2018

**Introduction to Western Philosophy**

Duration 2 Hours

100 Marks

**EXAMINERS**

FIRST

SECOND

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**NB! The following question paper contains TWO sections. Section A and Section B**

**Section A consists of EIGHT questions of which you may select any FOUR**

**Section B consists of FOUR questions of which you may select any TWO**

**Section A [Total is 40 marks] select any 4 questions each question is worth 10 marks**

- 1 What in your understanding is Western Philosophy (in your answer you may include a discussion of its branches, problems of study, trends, history and important figures) [10]
- 2 What in your understanding are the concerns of the philosophical branch known as Ethics? [10]
- 3 What in your understanding are the concerns of the philosophical branch known as Metaphysics? [10]
- 4 What in your understanding are the concerns of the philosophical branch known as Logic? [10]
- 5 What in your understanding are the concerns of the philosophical branch known as aesthetics? [10]
- 6 What in your understanding are the concerns of the philosophical branch known as Epistemology? [10]
- 7 What in your understanding are the concerns of the philosophical branch known as Political Philosophy? [10]

**Section B [Total 60 marks] Select any 2 questions each will be marked out of 30 marks each**

- 8 Discuss the Allegory of Plato's Cave with specific attention to its epistemological significance [30]
- 9 Discuss Aristotle's four causes with reference to a concrete statue [30]
- 10 Discuss Augustine's 5 proofs for the existence of God [30]
- 11 Discuss Aquinas' ethical theory with reference to his concept of Natural Law [30]