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**B.SC DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE PROGRAMME**  
**2017/2018 RAIN SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

COURSE CODE: POL 310

COURSE TITLE: COMPARATIVE FEDERAL SYSTEMS

NUMBER OF UNITS: 03

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION 1 AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

TIME ALLOWED: 2HRS

DATE OF EXAMINATION: 26/7/2018

**SECTION A (COMPULSORY)**

1. What is the central argument of K.C. Wheare's contribution to the study of comparative federal systems, and what is the implication of his postulations on the formulation and design of federal constitutions especially in the federalizing societies of the Third World? (30marks)

**SECTION B (CHOOSE ANY ONE QUESTION)**

2. Explain the patterns of Canadian, United States of America and Indian federal systems. (20marks)
3. Critically explain the factors that undermine the principles and practices of federalism in Nigeria. (20marks)
4. Is there any nexus between federalism and Confederation, and why do countries federate? (20marks)

**SECTION C (CHOOSE ANY ONE QUESTION)**

5. What are the arguments against federal systems of government in Africa? (20marks)
6. Write notes on the following concepts:
  - a. Centrifugal (5marks)
  - b. Centripetal (5marks)
  - c. State (5marks)
  - d. Authority (5marks) - (20marks)
7. Critically examine and analyze the epistemological/methodological issues and problems in the study of comparative federal systems. (20marks)