



**RAJARATA UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
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**B.Sc. (General) Degree in Health Promotion
Second Year – Semester II Examination – April/May 2015**

HPT 2205 – STRUCTURAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

Time: Two (02) hours

Answer all four (4) questions.

Illustrate your answers with labeled diagrams where appropriate.

1. a) Briefly describe the determinants of each of the following;
 - i. alcohol use
 - ii. unhealthy dietary practices
 - iii. obesity

(50 marks)
- b) Describe the process of identifying determinants of health in community based interventions.

(50 marks)
2. Using existing evidence, discuss why following factors are considered as social determinants of health.
 - a) Work setting (25 marks)
 - b) Social gradient (25 marks)
 - c) Early life (25 marks)
 - d) Transport (25 marks)
3. a) “When we try to address determinants of health we need to understand that they operate at different levels and hence it is necessary to focus on the level that the community is capable of addressing”. Discuss this statement. (50 marks)
- b) Draw and briefly describe the determinant tree for tobacco smoking. (50 marks)
4. Write short notes on following topics;
 - a) poverty as a determinant of health (40 marks)
 - b) media influence on violence (30 marks)
 - c) importance of measuring changes in determinants (30 marks)