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SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES  
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**Programme: Peace Studies and Conflict Resolution**

**PCR424: GOVERNANCE INTERNATIONAL LAW AND FUNDAMENTAL  
HUMAN RIGHTS**

**Time Allowed: 3 hours  
three questions**

**Instruction: Answer any**

1. "Mass media and civil organisations are the watchdogs of governance and government in a democratic setting". How and why? Explain.
2. Why should women be involved in governance and political structure of a democratic state? Discuss.
3. "International laws are designed for all states and are expected to be respected and obeyed by all states but only enforced on developing states for compliance". Justify this assertion with reasons and examples.
4. (a) What is Fundamental Human Rights?  
(b) "Human rights records of most African states have always been a concern to the United Nations". Explain  
(c) Is the right of an individual absolute? Discuss.
5. (a) Define the concept laws of war and state the central principles underlying laws of war.

(b) Despite the establishment of International Humanitarian Laws by the United Nations, states in wars or conflicts still perpetrate various war crimes and crime against humanity against their citizens. Advance reasons for this act and explain how it could be curbed.