



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
14/16 AHMADU BELOW WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND, LAGOS
SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES
JUNE/JULY, 2013 EXAMINATIONS

Course Code: MPA840 **Credit Unit:** 2
Course Title: Theories and Practice of Public Administration
Time Allowed: 2 hours
Instruction: Attempt compulsory question 1 and two other questions making a total of three questions. The compulsory question carries 30 marks. All the other questions carry 20 marks each.

1. (a) List and explain five (5) reasons for the growing importance of public administration from the 20th century.
 (b) Enumerate five characteristics of Public Administration
 (c) What are the salient features of the political approach to Public Administration
30 marks

2. (a) Discuss the scope of public administration from the traditional narrower and the modern broader view points.
 (b) What are the benefits of study of public administration?. 20 marks

3. Write short notes on:
 a. The Hawthorne Experience/studies
 b. Management by objectives 20 marks

4. (a) Enumerate five features of indirect rule in Nigeria
 (b) Discuss five problems of the Nigeria Public Service 20 marks

5. (a) Discuss in detail five differences between public and private administration.
 (b) In virtually every country today, it is no longer acceptable to separate policy-making by political actors from policy implementation by administrators. Explain why this is the situation? 20 marks