



**COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, THEOLOGY, HUMANITIES AND
EDUCATION**

COURSE CODE: NHIR122 EUROPEAN POLITICAL THOUGHT

END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

AUGUST/DECEMBER 2018

LECTURER: MR.C.S MANUEL

DURATION: 3 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS

You are required to Answer questions as instructed in each section

Start **Each** Question on a new page in your answer booklet

Answer Three questions

Each question carries a total of 20 marks

Credit will be awarded for logical, systematic and neat presentations

Question 1

- a) Compare and contrast philosophical ideas of Aristotle and Plato and how they have shape political theory in modern Europe. (20 marks)

Question 2

Critically analyze the factors that account for development of a state from state of nature to modern state (20 marks).

Question 3

Briefly discuss the following theoretical positions and how they inform political ideas of any philosophers you have learnt during the course (20 marks):

- a) Individualism
- b) Communitarianism
- c) Contractarianism
- d) Utilitarianism

Question 4

- a) Discuss the 4 characteristics of a state (10 marks)
- b) Democracy and rule of law are borne out of the chaotic state of nature hence the need to establish a government. Assess how the Montesquieu's separation of power improves democracy and rule of law. (10 marks)