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BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CONFLICT AND SECURITY STUDIES

HCP 4306: POLITICAL PSYCHOLOGY

SERIES: DECEMBER 2024

TIME: 2 HOURS

DATE: Pick DateDec 2024

Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of FIVE questions. Attempt question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

Do not write on the question paper.

Question ONE

- a) With the aid of examples explain the following concepts as used in the study of political psychology.
 - i. Politics (3 Marks)
 - ii. Psychology (3 Marks)
 - iii. Cognitive processes (3 Marks)
 - iv. Personality (3 Marks)
- b) Distinguish between the unconscious mind and the conscious mind. (4 Marks)
- c) Describe the first Era of development in Political Psychology. (6 Marks)
- d) The human person by nature is a political being. Discuss any FOUR components of political being. (8 Marks)

Question TWO

- a) Explain the manner in which individuals might react when their social identity is threatened or tilting towards the negative. (10 Marks)
- b) Power is an essential element of human existence and we can find signs and manifestations of power in every dimension of social life. Discuss FOUR forms of power. (10 Marks)

Question THREE

- a) The personalities of political beings according to Sigmund Freud are premised on a tripartite composition of elements of different levels of consciousness. Discuss these elements (10 Marks)
- b) Describe any FOUR methods used in measuring public opinion in Kenya (10 Marks)

Question FOUR

- a) Examine the defense mechanisms or technique employed to shield and protect the mind from distress (10 Marks)
- b) Eysenck, (1975), identified three personality trait dimensions. Discuss the traits. (10 Marks)

Question FIVE

- a) Analyze any FOUR possible forms of disorders manifesting at dual extremes in an individual. (10 Marks)
- b) "The criticisms of Freud's theory and psycho-analysis indict his ideas on psycho-pathology". Discuss. (10 Marks)