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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

ACADEMIC YEAR: 2023/2024

SEMESTER: JAN-APRIL

UNIT CODE: BAIR 1210

UNIT NAME: INTRODUCTION TO
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

DATE: APRIL 2024

TIME: 2 HOURS

SECTION A: COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)

- What does the study of international relations concern itself with? **(5 Marks)**
- International relations is a multidisciplinary field of study, discuss some of the fields that international relations borrows from. **(10 Marks)**
- How has the international system changed since the Treaty of Westphalia in 1648? Be sure to discuss how the current international system is different than eras that have preceded it. **(15 Marks)**

SECTION B. ANSWER ONE QUESTIONS (20 Marks)

QUESTION TWO

- Explain the differences between a **multipolar** and **bipolar system** and give examples of each. **(10 Marks)**
- What are some of the arguments about the consequences for system stability when it is bipolar? **(10 Marks)**.

QUESTION THREE

- With examples, identify and discuss at least Five actors in International Relations. **(10 Marks)**
- Assess the contribution of **Dependency Theory** in International Relations. **(10 Marks)**

SECTION C. ANSWER ONE QUESTIONS (20 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- The end of the cold war brought about changes to the concept of sovereignty. What is the impact of this change to both state and non-state actors? **(10 Marks)**
- Discuss the significance of the treaty of Westphalia to the evolution of international relations. **(10 Marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

- How does globalization challenge the theories of realism and liberalism in world politics? **(10 Marks)**
- Discuss the theory of International Political Economy and show the nexus between economics and politics. **(10 Marks)**