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FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

REGULAR PROGRAMME

B-PHL 302-2: CLASSICAL MODERN PHILOSOPHY

Date: APRIL 2022

Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any TWO Questions

Q1. Discuss the basic tenets of rationalism in the philosophies of the following:

- a) Descartes
- b) Spinoza
- c) Leibniz

Q2. Explain and critique the philosophies of Locke and Hume. **(20 marks)**

Q3. Discuss the social contract theory of Rousseau and outline his philosophy in the light of the enlightenment. **(20 marks)**

Q4. Kant's philosophy acts as mediator between dogmatism and skepticism. Elaborate and evaluate this statement. **(20 marks)**

Q5. Compare and contrast arguments for the existence or non-existence of God in the following:

- a) Descartes
- b) Spinoza
- c) Hume
- d) Kant.

(20marks)

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