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MAIN EXAMINATION

JANUARY – APRIL 2019 TRIMESTER

FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

REGULAR PROGRAMME

MPS 505: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Date: APRIL 2019

Duration: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer any FOUR Questions

- Q1. Define what Science is and discuss whether the study of politics is a Science. **(15Marks)**
- Q2. List and discuss the qualities of a science. **(15 marks)**
- Q3. Discuss the obstacles towards the development of a scientific study of politics. **(15 marks)**
- Q4. Critically evaluate the relevance of theory and concepts to the study of politics. **(15 marks)**
- Q5. Discuss the various techniques and methods of data collection in political science. **(15 marks)**
- Q6. Evaluate the following scientific tenets. **(15 marks)**
- i) Verifiable
 - ii) Empirical
 - iii) Reliability
 - iv) Systematic
 - v) Generalizable

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