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END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION
BDP 4201: AFRICAN PHILOSOPHY

Date: Monday, 16th March 2020

Time: 13:00 -15:00

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer ANY THREE Questions

TOTAL: 60 marks

1. Explain the four trends in African philosophy according to Odera Oruka. *20 marks*

2. Critically examine *the stolen legacy thesis*. *20 marks*

3. What is Pan – Africanism and why is Unity essential for Africa’s development? *20 marks*

4. Discuss how the *critical function* of philosophy can be used to resolve the ‘election problem’ bedeviling contemporary African countries. *20 marks*

5. Using at least one concrete example, outline and evaluate **any one** of the following ideologies in African social political philosophy. *20 marks*
 - a. The Socialist – Populist ideology.
 - b. The Africanist – Populist ideology.
 - c. The Populist – Socialist ideology