



**SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
BIS 1202 THEORY OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
END OF SEMESTER EXAM**

Date: 13th March 2024

Time: 15:30-17:30

EXAM INSTRUCTIONS:

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

1. Using relevant contemporary or hypothetical case studies, discuss Antonio Gramsci's Theory of Cultural Hegemony and how it continues to remain relevant in explaining the International Relations of Nations. **(20 Marks)**.
2. a) Define and discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the Marxist theory **(10marks)**

b) Using any FIVE points and with relevant examples explain the importance of theory in the study of International Relations **(10marks)**
3. To what extent are the concepts of Power and Security important tools in maximizing our understanding in Realism and Neo-Realism theories? Using the 2023 Israel- Hamas Conflict, discuss Realist, and Neo-realist viewpoints that may explain this protracted conflict. **(20 Marks)**. Cite Relevant Literature.
4. Using Alexander Wendt's Constructivism as your theory of analysis, critically analyze the Russian – Ukraine conflict in light of the assumptions advanced in this theory. **(20 Marks)** Cite Relevant literature.
5. International Relations has been viewed as a "*Masculine Discipline*". Using Feminism as your theory of analysis, discuss this assertion outlining how Feminism has changed this perception in International Relations. **(20 Marks)**. Cite Relevant literature.