

# UNIVERSITY OF JOHANNESBURG **JUNE EXAM 2018**

COURSE: POLITICS 2C

TIME: 2 HOURS

**MARKS: 100** 

**QUESTION PAPER:** 

(A) South Africa's Transition - Apartheid to Democracy

(B) Political Ideas and Ideologies

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**EXAMINERS:** 

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## (THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF 3 PAGES)

## 1. USE ONE EXAM BOOK - FOR BOTH SECTIONS

## SECTION A: SOUTH AFRICA'S TRANSITION - APARTHEID TO DEMOCRACY [50 marks]

#### Question 1

Briefly discuss the difference between the procedural and substantive interpretations of liberal democracy. (5)

#### Question 2

Government is separated into three branches i.e. Executive, Judiciary and Legislature. This concept is known as the trias politica.

Given that South Africa has a parliamentary system, discuss the nature of the separation of powers with specific reference the national sphere of government, particularly the relationship between the cabinet (executive) and the legislature (parliament). (5)

#### **Question 3**

A number of socio-economic policies were implemented in post-Apartheid South Africa (after 1994). The first of such policies was the Reconstruction and Development Programme (RDP).

Discuss the RDP with specific reference to its five key pillars and its five basic principles. (10)

#### **Question 4**

There are six institutions to strengthen constitutional democracy in South Africa by providing oversight. These institutions are known as Institutions Supporting Democracy (ISDs) and they are found in Chapter 9 of the Constitution.

Discuss the roles and functions of the following institutions Chapter 9 institutions:

•	Auditor General	(5)
<b>(ii)</b>	Electoral Commission	(5)
•	Public Protector	(5)
		(15)

#### Question 5

There are several factors that led to the 'ripe moment' in South Africa and made negotiations of the conflicting parties possible.

Please discuss the *international factors* that led to the creation of a ripe moment. (15)

### SECTION B: POLITICAL IDEAS AND IDEOLOGIES

[50 marks]

#### Question 6

It has been argued that what has been experienced in South Africa is not necessarily xenophobia, but Afrophobia.

Discuss the notion of Afrophobia with reference to isolation thesis and South African nationalism. (5)

#### **Question 7**

Identity is one of the most studied concepts in the Social Sciences. The concept is generally applied to biological characteristics, psychological dispositions and socio-demographic positions.

In light of the above statement, discuss the notion of **relational identity**. (5)

#### Question 8

Feminism is generally characterised by the efforts to achieve equal rights (e.g. political, economic and social) for women i.e. it seeks to attain equality of the sexes. However, there are different strands of feminism.

Drawing from the above statement, discuss the following:

•	Liberal and Radical feminism	
		(10)
÷	The different waves of feminism	(10)
		(20)

#### Question 9

Discuss Carol Pateman's notion of the sexual contract with specific reference to the role of wives compared to that of slaves and wage slaves. (20)

Total [100]

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