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TITLE OF PAPER: ADVANCED POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

COURSE CODE: PA: 403

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS IN TOTAL: ONE (1) QUESTION
FROM SECTION A AND THREE (3) QUESTIONS FROM SECTION B.**

ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS OF 25 EACH

SECTION A

Answer the following question.

1. Political philosophy must be analyzed in terms of gender, class and race in order to be understood at all. Discuss.

SECTION B

Answer three (3) questions

2. "The chief foundation of all states, whether new, old or mixed are good laws and good arms" (Machiavelli) Discuss.
3. Critically comment on Hobbes view that, "The desire for security is inseparable from the desire for power".
4. Compare and contrast Hobbes and Locke's theories of the social contract and the state.
5. 'The revolutionary ideal of equality is impossible to realize and destructive in its effects'. Why or why not?
6. "The individual is foolish... but the species is wise, and... as a species, it always acts right" (Burke) Discuss.
7. Why was Locke so concerned with the separation of powers? What are the ramifications of this concern today?
8. The fundamental problem of capitalism is that social choices are made by private individuals whose strategies are dictated by the exigencies of market competition (Karl Marx).