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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER: MAY, 2018

TITLE OF PAPER: PUBLIC POLICY ANALYSIS

COURSE CODE: PA 308

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS**
- 2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS OF TWENTY FIVE (25) EACH**

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1. Compare and contrast the different definitions of public policy. What are the key attributes of public policy. (25 marks)
2. What are the major characteristics of policy analysis? (25 marks)
3. Policies may be classified in many different ways and several different types. Discuss the following types of policies which are broken down by their effect on members of the organization:
 - Distributive
 - Regulatory
 - Constituent
 - Re-distributive(25 marks)
4. Discuss the Deductive theories and Inductive theories in public policy and give examples (25 marks)
5. Policy documents are typically promulgated through official written documents. While such formats differ in form, policy documents usually contain certain standard components. Using a policy of your choice, describe some of the standard components of that policy. (25 marks)
6. James Anderson is a proponent of the five stage public policy cycle. Discuss these stages and detail out what happens in each stage, who the major actors are and how these stages are connected. (25 marks)
7. Define the public policy analysis process and the different approaches to public policy analysis. How does this process factor into the public policy cycle? (25 marks)
8. Discuss the key features of the Institutional Rational Choice theory advanced by Elinor Ostrom. Compare and contrast this theory with one of the following theories of public policy:
 - Multiple Streams Framework
 - Advocacy Coalition Framework
 - Social Construction Framework(25 marks)