



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR
THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, SOCIAL
SCIENCES AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCES &
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

COURSE CODE: PSA 3127-1

**COURSE TITLE: THEORIES OF
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

DATE: 13TH DECEMBER, 2022

TIME: 1430-1630

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Question **ONE** is compulsory (20Marks)
Answer any other **TWO** questions

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QUESTION ONE

Comment on each of the following relative to international relations (IR). Use relevant examples in each case.

- i) Classical and contemporary IR **(2 Marks)**
 - ii) Issues in IR **(2 Marks)**
 - iii) Events in IR **(2 Marks)**
 - iv) Theories of IR **(2 Marks)**
 - v) Relevance of IRT **(2 Marks)**
- b) Explain FIVE phases in the evolution of international relations as a field of study **(10 Marks)**

QUESTION TWO

Examine ways in which any TWO of the following theories contrast in their worldview of International Relation. **(15 Marks)**

- i) Classical realism
- ii) Structural realism
- iii) Liberalism
- iv) World Systems Theory(WST)

QUESTION THREE

Discuss the three great debates in the study of international relations **(15 Marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

Using any theory and relevant case study of your choice explain the Unit or level of analysis and its relevance in understanding the practice of IR from a theoretical perspective. **(15 Marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

International relations theories have the potential of explaining the practical potency of IR historical events and issues. Discuss this statement using any IRT of your choice. **(15 Marks)**

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