



RIARA SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & DIPLOMACY

NURTURING INNOVATORS

MAY –AUGUST 2019 TRIMESTER

**EXAMINATIONS FOR DIPLOMA OF ARTS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS &
DIPLOMACY**

DAY PROGRAMME

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RIR 054: FUNDAMENTALS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

DATE: 22ND AUGUST 2019

TIME: 2 HOURS

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Students are NOT permitted to write on the examination paper during reading time.
This is a closed book examination. Text book/Reference books/notes are not permitted.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1 Write your REGISTRATION NO. Clearly on the answer booklet(s).
- 2 Answer Question One and ANY other TWO questions.
- 3 Questions in all sections should be answered in answer booklet(s).
- 4 Marks allocated to each question are shown at the end of the question.
- 5 PLEASE start the answer to EACH question on a NEW PAGE.
- 6 For the questions, write the number of the question on the answer booklet(s) in the order you answered them.
- 7 Write your answers in paragraph form unless stated otherwise.
- 8 Keep your phone(s) SWITCHED OFF at the front of the examination room.
- 9 Keep ALL bags and caps at the front of the examination room and do not refer to any unauthorized material before or during the course of the examination.
- 10 You are only allowed to leave the examination room 30minutes to the end of the Examination.

SECTION A: COMPULSORY-ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS 30 MARKS

QUESTION ONE

- a) Explain the following concepts:
- i. Private International Law **(2 Marks)**
 - ii. International Comity **(2 Marks)**
 - iii. Pacta Sunt Servanda **(2 Marks)**
 - iv. *Jus cogens* **(2 Marks)**
 - v. Sovereignty **(2 Marks)**
- b) Discuss the debate around the assertion that International Law is not really law. **(10 Marks)**
- c) Analyze the contribution of the Law of the Sea towards the peaceful relations of states. **(10 Marks)**

SECTION B (40 MARKS) - CHOOSE ANY TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION TWO

- a) Analyze the reasons for state compliance with International Law. **(10 Marks)**
- b) Examine the notion that it is only the State that is the rightful subject of International Law. **(10 Marks)**

QUESTION THREE

- a) Describe the relationship between International Law and Municipal Law. **(10 Marks)**
- b) Describe the organization of the International Court of Justice. **(10 Marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

With examples, explain International Criminal Law and the four Core Crimes under it.

(20 Marks)