



Riara School of International Relations & Diplomacy Nurturing innovators

January – April 2019 TRIMESTER

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

DAY PROGRAMME

RIR 051: INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

DATE: 8TH APRIL 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 30 MARKS)

QUESTION ONE

- a) Discuss five factors that contributed to the evolution and development of international relations **(8 marks)**
- b) Compare and contrast realism and Idealism **(12 marks)**
- c) Explain the following concepts;
 - i. Hegemon
 - ii. Sovereignty
 - iii. Anarchy
 - iv. Unipolar

SECTION B CHOOSE TWO QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION

QUESTION TWO

- a) Highlight the characteristics of the state as established by the treaty of Westphalia 1648 **(5 marks)**
- b) By use of examples, illustrate the term Individual level of analysis **(6 marks)**
- c) Highlight the characteristics of a an international actor **(6 marks)**

QUESTION THREE

Using examples, discuss three ‘power capabilities’ a state must have in order to enhance its status in the international arena **(6 marks)**

Describe the term hard power **(2 marks)**

Explain the following:

- i. Soft power **(2 marks)**
- ii. The benefits of soft power **(6 marks)**
- iii. The goals of soft power **(4 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

'The state is no longer the central actor in the international arena'. Do you agree? Why or why not? **(20 marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Using examples, describe the following terms
 - i). The principle of dominance **(4 marks)**
 - ii). The principle of Reciprocity **(4 marks)**
 - iii). The principle of identity **(4 marks)**
- b) Illustrate 4 ways in which the principle of reciprocity can be worked out in the relationship between Kenya and other nations **(8 marks)**