



**RIARA SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & DIPLOMACY**

***NURTURING INNOVATORS***

**SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER 2019 TRIMESTER**

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

**DAY PROGRAMME**

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**RIR 054: FUNDAMENTALS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW**

**DATE: 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 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. International Legal Personality (2 Marks)
- b) Assess the view that International Law is not really (10 Marks)
- c) Examine the sources of International Law (10 Marks)

**SECTION B (40 MARKS) - CHOOSE ANY TWO QUESTIONS**

**QUESTION TWO**

- a) Analyze the reasons for state compliance with International Law despite international legal rules not being enforced by a coercive sovereign. (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**

- a) Explain International Criminal Law and the four Core Crimes under it. (10 Marks)
- b) Analyze the contribution of the Law of the Sea towards the peaceful relations of states. (10 Marks)