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FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE
2025_1 EXAMINATION**

COURSE CODE: POL 411

COURSE TITLE: POLITICAL PSYCHOLOGY

CREDIT UNIT: 3

TIME: 3 HOURS

Each question carries 17.5 MARKS

Instruction: Answer any four.

1(a) Define Social Identity?

(b) Discuss the ways in which individuals might react to threatened or actual negative social identity?

2. Write short notes on the following Personality disorders?

(a) Paranoid Personality disorder

(b) Narcissistic Personality disorder

3 (a)What are personality trait theories and describe the various Dimensions of Traits by Allport and Eysenck?

(b)The type of personality trait a political leader possesses has a great impact on his behaviour. Discuss the big five personality trait dimensions?

4(a) Several scholars have defined Political culture in different ways. Enumerate three of such definitions with the scholars?

(b) Discuss the types of Political culture according to Almond/Verba and according to Arend Lijphart?

(5)(a) Define Defense mechanisms of the Mind and discuss the various mental techniques/strategies of the mind to protect it from distress?

(b) What is Personality?

6. Discuss clearly the landmark developments in the Fourth Era of Development in Political Psychology?