INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Written examination

Wednesday 16 November 2005
Reading time: 11.45 am to 12.00 noon (15 minutes)
Writing time: 12.00 noon to 2.00 pm (2 hours)

QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

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- Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners and rulers.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or white out liquid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.

Materials supplied
- Question and answer book of 18 pages.
- A script book is available from the supervisor if required.

Instructions
- Write your student number in the space provided above on this page and on the front cover of any script book used.
- All written responses must be in English.

At the end of the examination
- If a script book is used, place it inside the front cover of this question and answer book.

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### Instructions for Section A
Answer both questions in the spaces provided.

### Question 1
Select three of the following terms and define each one as it relates to the study of international relations.
- nuclear proliferation
- sovereignty
- containment
- pre-emptive strike
- national security
- war on terror
- nationalism

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2 + 2 + 2 = 6 marks
Question 2
Outline one argument for and one argument against any one of the following statements about the effects of globalisation.

Tick the statement that you have chosen to discuss.

☐ Globalisation is a means of more efficient use of the world’s resources.

☐ Globalisation facilitates the more efficient exploitation of the less powerful nations and groups of the world.

☐ Globalisation reduces the risk of international conflicts.

☐ Globalisation is a threat to national sovereignty.

One argument for ____________________________

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One argument against _______________________

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2 + 2 = 4 marks

Total 10 marks
Question 1
In your course this year you will have examined a specific relationship or situation in the Asia-Pacific region in which two or more nation states or groups have exercised power to try to achieve the best outcomes for themselves.
Name the specific relationship or situation that you have chosen.

a. Select two nation states/groups involved. For each of these, briefly describe one major goal that it was trying to achieve. Then outline how one form of power was used for this purpose.

 Nation state/group 1  
Goal  

Use of one form of power 

 Nation state/group 2  
Goal  

Use of one form of power 


b. How effective has one of these uses of power been?


3 + 3 = 6 marks

SECION B – continued
Question 2

Give two reasons why it is difficult to compare the power of nation states.

Question 3

In your course this year you studied a key issue involving competing perceptions of national interest within one Asia-Pacific nation state. In the following spaces, identify the nation state (other than Australia) and the key issue you studied and use examples from that nation state to answer the questions below.

Nation state

Key issue

a. Identify two competing perceptions of the national interest and state one argument presented in support of each perception.

Perception 1

Argument


Perception 2

Argument


4 marks

1 + 2 = 3 marks

1 + 2 = 3 marks
b. Describe one way in which the policy finally adopted in regard to this issue affected the nation state's foreign relations.

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3 marks

**Question 4**

Identify one regional or global organisation and answer the following question in relation to it.

Name of organisation

Explain the role played by this organisation in any one issue in the Asia-Pacific region in the past twenty-five years.

Issue

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3 marks

Total 24 marks
SECTION C – Essay – Australian foreign policy

Instructions for Section C

Answer one question in the space provided on the following pages.

Question 1
Do the benefits of Australia’s alliance with the USA outweigh the costs?
Discuss with reference to the Australian-US alliance since the end of the Cold War.

OR

Question 2
Before the 1970s, Australian foreign policy makers viewed the provision of Australia’s security in predominantly military terms. Since that time, however, other factors have played more important roles.
Discuss with reference to Australia’s foreign policy since 1945.

OR

Question 3
Australian foreign policy has been determined more by national interest than by idealism.
Discuss with reference to Australian foreign policy since 1945.

Total 33 marks
SECTION D – Essay – International conflict

Instructions for Section D
Answer one question in the space provided on the following pages.

Question 1
Choose one Cold War conflict and one post-Cold War conflict. Discuss the similarities and differences between these two conflicts in terms of causes, states or groups involved and outcomes.

OR

Question 2
The threat of nuclear confrontation meant that Cold War conflicts usually ended in compromises. However, in more recent times, the absence of such a threat has meant that conflicts have been more difficult to resolve. Discuss with reference to at least one Cold War conflict and at least one post-Cold War conflict.

OR

Question 3
International conflicts, whether Cold War or post-Cold War, have tended to be caused by much the same factors. Discuss with reference to at least one Cold War conflict and at least one post-Cold War conflict.

Total 33 marks

END OF SECTION D
Students should answer Section C and Section D on the following pages.
A script book is available from the supervisor if you require extra paper to complete your answers.
Clearly indicate in the box on the top of each page the section and question number for each answer.

Section  [ ]  Question No  [ ]
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