



**MASENO UNIVERSITY**

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**FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR  
THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL  
SCIENCE WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**CITY CAMPUS (EVENING)**

**DPS 103: POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT IN AFRICA**

Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2018

Time: 5.15 – 8.15pm

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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Answer Question ONE and any other THREE questions



1. With examples, discuss the relevance of the following two approaches in the understanding of African Politics:  
(a) Liberalism (b) Patrimonialism
2. With examples, explain the key characteristics of pre-colonial political systems in Africa
3. Discuss the political impact of colonialism in Africa.
4. Account for the rise of personal rule in Africa in the immediate post-colonial period in Africa
5. With examples, discuss the external factors that led to reintroduction of multi-party system in Africa in the early 1990s.
6. Discuss the view that foreign aid has led to poor governance in Africa
7. Discuss the influence of ethnicity in African politics.