



# **MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY**

**University Examinations for 2019/2020 Academic Year**

**SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR**

**BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL NEEDS)**

**BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)**

**BACHELOR OF ARTS**

**AHT 437: HISTORY OF POLITICAL THOUGHT SINCE 1600**

**DATE: 19/10/2020**

**TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS**

**QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)**

- a) Trace the history of the renaissance illustrating its significance to political thought(15 marks)
- b) Compare and contrast the Hobbesian and John Locke’s state of nature (15 marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Using illustrative examples critique Karl Marx’s dialectical materialism in political theory.

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

“Man is born free but is everywhere in chains”. Jean Jacques Rousseau (1712-1878). Using relevant examples, evaluate the above statement.

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

To what extent do you agree with Hegel, that “the state is the march of God upon the world.”

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

What does the dictatorship of the Proletariat mean in the political thought of Stalin? Discuss this statement using relevant examples.