

University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

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Master of Arts in International Relations Examination- Semester III (2017/2018)

MAIR 7115: Global Geopolitics

Duration: Two (02) hours

Answer any three (03) questions.

1. "The conceptual manifestation of the idea of 'Geopolitics' is multiple and contextual". Do you agree with this statement? Substantiate your answer by examining definitions and scholarly interpretations on the idea of Geopolitics.
2. Critically assess the contribution of any three (03) geopolitical theorists on geopolitics in the contemporary world.
3. "A periodization of geopolitical discourse, therefore, obviously simplifies a more complex flow of representations and practices" (Agnew, 2003, p.86). Comment on this statement with special reference to John Agnew's idea of 'The Three Ages of Geopolitics'.
4. Explain how imperialist interests shaped the geopolitics in the world from the late 19th Century to the early 20th Century.
5. Either
 - i. "Geopolitical strategies adopted by China in the 21st Century have significant implications for understanding the modern geopolitical strategies". Critically assess this statement.

Or

- ii. Analyze the main geopolitical issues confronting South Asian countries in the Post-Cold War era, and the impact of key external players in the region.
6. Write short notes on any three (03) of the following;
 - i. Stakeholders of geopolitics
 - ii. Space and geopolitics
 - iii. Cold War geopolitics
 - iv. Regionalism and the Common Security Policy of European Union (EU)
 - v. Feminist views on geopolitics
 - vi. USA and Geopolitics
