

UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO – SRI LANKA

FACULTY OF ARTS

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION IN ARTS – SEMESTER I – 2018/2019

PSC 1101 – Political Science: An Introduction

Time: Two (02) Hours

Answer only **four (04)** Questions.

Each answer will carry a maximum of **fifteen (15)** marks.

01. “Politics is not only about power struggles.” Do you agree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer.
02. Critically analyze the relationship between power, authority and legitimacy.
03. Briefly explain the evolution of Political Science as an academic discipline.
04. What are the different approaches to the study of politics? Explain.
05. Define “philosophy” and explain the specific features of political philosophy.
06. Critically evaluate the role of political institutions in modern democracies.
07. Critically review the liberalist idea of citizenship and civil society.
08. Write notes on **two (02)** of the following themes;
 - i. State and Government
 - ii. Social Contract
 - iii. Politics and Gender
 - iv. Hegemony