

**Fourth Semester FYUGP Degree (Reg) Examination April
2026**

**KU4DSCPOL206 - WESTERN POLITICAL THOUGHT:
MODERN TRADITION**

2024 Admission onwards

Time : 2 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Section A

Answer any 6 questions. Each carry 3 marks.

1. Explain the Idealist view of the State as a moral institution
2. Explain Kant's idea of autonomy
3. Define Utilitarianism. Mention its central principle
4. What are Burke's objections to the Social Contract theory?
5. What is meant by Mill's concept of Qualitative Utilitarianism?
6. What is meant by Class Struggle according to Marx?
7. Write a note on Frederick Engels
8. What is meant by 'mass strike' according to Rosa Luxemburg?

Section B

Answer any 4 questions. Each carry 6 marks.

9. Explain Bentham's theory of Hedonism and the Hedonic Calculus
10. Evaluate the impact of Utilitarianism on governance and public policy
11. Critically evaluate Mill's defense of representative government
12. Synthesize the ideas of Marx and Lenin to suggest measures for achieving social justice in contemporary society
13. Discuss Luxemburg's views on democracy and party leadership
14. Explain the main features of Mao's New Democracy

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Section C

Answer any 2 questions. Each carry 14 marks.

15. Apply the principles of Social Contract Theory to explain the relationship between citizens and the state in contemporary democracies
16. Explain the key ideas and criticisms of Social Contract Theory
17. Assess the positive view of the State in the writings of T. H. Green