

**BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION**

**FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES**

**DEPARTMENT OF PEACE AND GOVERNANCE**

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE HONOURS DEGREE IN PEACE AND GOVERNANCE**

**HPG211: PUBLIC POLICY AND MANAGEMENT**

**EXAMINATION**

**TIME: 3 HOURS**

APR 2025

**INSTRUCTIONS**

**Answer any THREE questions**

Each question carries 25 marks.

Candidates are required to use relevant examples and case studies in answering questions.

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1. (a) Define public policy and discuss its importance in society. (10 marks)  
(b) Explain the policy cycle and the key stages involved in policy formulation, implementation, and evaluation. (15 marks)
2. Examine the strengths and limitations of any **FOUR** public policy theories and provide examples of policy issues that would benefit from specific analytical approaches. (25 marks)

3. Using practical examples, explore the reasons why policies fail to achieve their intended outcomes and propose strategies to improve policy implementation and increase the likelihood of policy success. **(25 marks)**
4. Discuss the role of the following actors in public policy-making in Zimbabwe.
- (a) The Parliament **(5 marks)**
  - (b) The judiciary **(5 marks)**
  - (c) Civil Society Organisations **(5 marks)**
  - (d) Think tanks **(5 marks)**
  - (e) The media **(5 marks)**
5. (a) Examine the principles of ethical decision-making in public policy and management. **(10 marks)**
- (b) Analyse the strategies that can be taken by public administrators in promoting ethical behaviour in the public sector. **(15 marks)**

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