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Time: 3 Hours

Subject: PHL325/E

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INSTRUCTIONS

Please choose FOUR (4) questions to answer. The answer for each question should be at least 2 written pages in length.

Each answer will make up 25 marks of the exam.

Please write neatly and legibly.

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1. Make use of Hallen's *History of African Philosophy* and give a critical overview of major representatives and themes of contemporary African Philosophy. Refer specifically to the positions of Wiredu, Gyekye, Appiah, Hountondji, Serequeberhan and Masolo.
2. Hallen argues that an overall theme in the contemporary history of African philosophy is the tension between cultural universalism and particularism. Discuss critically.
3. Give an account of Wiredu's view of cultural universals and evaluate Janz's critique of his position.
4. What are the notions of personhood held by Appiah and Masolo? Give a critical discussion.
5. Assess the debate between Menkiti and Gyekye on African communalism.