

LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

SECOND SEMESTER – APRIL 2024

PIR 2501 – FOREIGN POLICIES OF THE MAJOR POWERS

(UK, USA, RUSSIA AND CHINA)

Date: 02-04-2024

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Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM

PART – A

(4x 10 = 40 Marks)

Answer any Four of the following in 400-500 words each

1. What are the three paradigmatic works that laid the foundation of Foreign Policy Analysis.
2. Examine the discourse between Globalism and Nationalism leading to Brexit.
3. Discuss the significance of ‘Domestic Variables’ in the foreign policy decision making.
4. Trace the significance of globalism in US foreign policy.
5. Explain the key foundational principles and objectives behind Eurasianism and Pan-Slavism.
6. What are the core principles of China’s foreign policy?

PART – B

(3 x 20 = 60 Marks)

Answer any Three of the following in 1500 words each

7. a) Analyse the role of rationality in foreign policy decision-making processes and evaluate how decision-makers assess and prioritise national interests, strategic objectives, and policy options within the framework of rational choice theory.

(or)

b) Critically evaluate the limitations of the behaviouralist approach in capturing the complexities of foreign policy decision-making while highlighting the importance of psychology, emotion, and cognition.
8. a) Discuss UK's continuous-at-sea Doctrine. Evaluate UK's Nuclear security strategy.

(or)

b) The world is now witnessing the third year of Russia's military intervention in Ukraine. Assess the growing political and economic impacts that are unleashed both in the region and across the world.
9. a) Explain the persistence of isolationism in the foreign policy of the United States. Discuss its re-emergence in contemporary times and its global impact.

(or)

b) Decipher the driving forces behind China's grand strategy, considering both its economic ambitions and its ideological underpinnings and analyse how the US rivalry plays a central role in shaping this strategy.

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