

EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER: Reassessment, 2014

Module code:	GI5007
Module title:	Governance and Public Policy
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Exam type:	Seen, Closed
Materials supplied:	None
Materials permitted:	None
Warning:	Candidates are warned that possession of unauthorised materials in an examination is a serious assessment offence.

Instructions to candidates:	Students will be required to answer two questions in two hours. One from Section A and one from Section B
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SECTION A – ANSWER ONE QUESTION ONLY

1. Are governance and government inseparable concepts in the policy-making process today?
2. Critically examine the role of policymakers in relation to two specified public policies of your choice.
3. What is meant by a trend in public policy? Answer using examples of two areas of public policy since 1990.
4. Evaluate the policy consequences of devolution and/or other forms of political decentralisation in the United Kingdom since 1997.
5. What evidence is there to suggest that international development policy has become purely an instrument of foreign policy in the twenty-first century?

SECTION B – ANSWER ONE QUESTION ONLY

6. Critically analyse the main features of New Public Management and its impact on the public sector over the past thirty years.
7. How has the change from an emphasis on service delivery to enabling impacted on the management of public services in the United Kingdom since 1979?
8. Critically evaluate the various methods used to attempt to improve the performance of public services in Britain under the Labour Governments from 1997 to 2010.
9. Critically explore and assess the approach to public management of the Coalition Government under David Cameron since 2010.
10. Examine the impact of the financial crisis of 2008 and its aftermath on the provision and quality of public services by examining **one** of the following tiers of government and governance in the UK: (a.) local; (b.) regional/devolved; (c.) central.