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# **EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS**

For The Following Qualifications:-

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Philosophy B3: History of Philosophy

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# PHILOSOPHY B3: HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY

## Answer THREE questions, at least ONE from each section

## SECTION A

- 1. Describe and assess Descartes' attempt to reach certainty in one or more of his metaphysical judgments.
- 2. How critical is Descartes of our ordinary view of the world?
- 3. 'Central to Spinoza's metaphysics is the development of his distinction between an attribute and a mode.' Discuss this claim.
- 4. How critical is Spinoza of our ordinary view of the world?
- 5. Why does Leibniz think that substances are monads?
- 6. What, for Leibniz, is the relationship of God to the world?

## SECTION B

- 7. Describe Locke's distinction between simple and complex ideas, giving examples of both. Why is this distinction important to his project?
- 8. Compare and contrast Lockean substances and Lockean modes.
- 9. Discuss whether Berkeley is successful in his attack on the meaningfulness of the claim that matter may exist independently of minds.
- 10. Discuss whether Berkeley succeeds in establishing the existence of God.
- 11. Describe and assess Hume's account of causation.
- 12. How critical is Hume of our ordinary view of the world?
- 13. What is the importance, for Kant, of his insistence that certain judgments are both synthetic and *a priori*?
- 14. Discuss Kant's view of the limits of our knowledge.

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