### HMED C118: Disease in History

### EXAM 2004

# **THREE HOURS**

### **Please answer FOUR questions**

- 1. Describe the main demographic, social and medical factors that have influenced the changes in the historical ecology of human disease.
- 2. 'Germ theory overturned all previous theories of disease causation'. Evaluate the role of bacteriology in the history of medical thought.
- 3. 'Cholera was a godsend for the nineteenth-century public health movement.' Assess.
- 4. 'Pick rich parents if you can'. How has poverty been used to explain the incidence of disease since the eighteenth century?
- 5. 'Homosexuals were better off before doctors decided they should be helped.' Discuss the impact of medical theories of homosexuality.
- 6. Evaluate the role of the media in the creation of modern anorexia nervosa.
- 7. 'TB was a disease of civilisation'. Discuss
- 8. How did the Indian plague pandemic of the late 19<sup>th</sup> early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries affect the colonial medical order of the time?
- 9. Examine the role of responsibility in relation to the control of smallpox epidemics.
- 10. Describe and locate the changing views on malaria causation and control.
- 11. Was medicine an effective tool of empire?
- 12. Critically assess the role of the global anti-hookworm campaigns.

# **END OF PAPER**