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**SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

Programmes: MEPP  
Semester: 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Course Title: **Models of Elections**

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**Instructions:**

- i. Answer any Four (4) Questions, each question carries **17.5marks**
- ii. Time allowed: **3hours** Write your **Name and Registration Number Only**
- iv. Orderly arrangement and good presentation of materials will be considered.
- v. Cross out any unused sheet(s) in your answer booklet before you submit it.

**Question One**

Discuss **any four** theories of voter behaviour and explain the overlap between one theory and another. **(17.5marks)**

**Question Two**

What do you understand by 'models' of election? Highlight the similarities and differences between the models of elections in the United States and Britain. **(17.5marks)**

**Question Three**

Describe the working of the 'Electoral College' system in determining the emergence of the president of the United States of America. Enumerate the most common criticisms of the system. **(17.5marks)**

**Question Four**

Describe the French majoritarian model of electing a president which necessarily involves a 'second round' election. Identify factors responsible for this reality. **(17.5marks)**

**Question Five**

Ideology is a big factor in shaping the models of elections across countries today. How does it explain the essential differences between the United States of America and China?  
**(17.5marks)**

**Question Six**

Explain the historical and political context of Nigeria's present model of electoral competition  
**(17.5marks)**