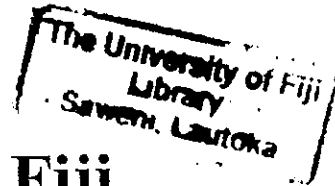




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Semester Two Examinations 2011
Foundation Studies Programme

HISF12: Foundation History Two

Time Allowed: Three hours, 10 minutes

Instructions

- Answer all five questions in Section A (Definitions).
- Answer all ten questions in Section B (Short Answers).
- Answer any three questions in Section C (Essays).

Section A

Definitions

(10 marks)

- *Write brief explanations of each of the following.*
 - *Each item is worth two marks.*
1. Politics
 2. Decolonisation
 3. Neocolonialism
 4. Civil Society
 5. Name one United Nations body and its main functions

Section B

Short Answers

(40 marks)

- *Write 4 – 5 sentences on each of the following.*
 - *Each question is worth 4 marks.*
1. Give **four differences** between Melanesian and Polynesian countries, especially in pre-European contact times.
 2. a) Explain what the Exclusive Economic Zone is.
b) Give its main benefits to Pacific Island countries.
 3. What are **two rights** and **two responsibilities** of independent states?
 4. Explain 'Free Association' and give **two advantages** and **two disadvantages** of this arrangement. (Mention at least **two countries** who have this relationship with a colonial power).
 5. Explain and comment on **two global issues** which are affecting Pacific Island countries.
 6. Explain the concept of **sovereignty** and give **two ways** in which Pacific Island countries' sovereignty is under threat.

7. Give **four strengths** of small states.
8. Explain **four security threats** to Pacific Island countries.
9. Explain the differences between a **state** and **civil society**.
10. What were **two features** of Melanesian states soon after colonial powers arrived?

Section C

Essay

(60 marks)

- Choose *any three* of the topics given below.
- Write between 200 and 250 words on each topic.
- Each essay is worth 20 marks.

Topics

1. Colonisation/Decolonisation

- a) Explain both the above processes, giving examples of a Melanesian, Micronesian and Polynesian country.
- b) What were some **advantages** and **disadvantages** of colonisation to Pacific Island countries?

2. Giving examples from Fiji today, explain some **advantages** and **disadvantages** of **globalisation**.

3. Discuss whether Fiji can be currently described as a weak state or a strong state. (You need to mention characteristics of weak and strong states in your answer).

4. a) Fully explain Epeli Hau'ofa's reasons for emphasizing that Oceania is a 'sea of islands'.

- a) Give your own opinions about Hau'ofa's perspective (way of looking at Pacific Island countries).

