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THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR
OF ARTS IN PHILOSOPHY

PHIL 360: READINGS IN ANCIENT GREEK PHILOSOPHY

STREAMS: BA (PHIL)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 11/04/2023

8.30 A.M. – 10.30 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions

- Q1. (a) Critically assess why Socrates in the Apology claims that it is not possible to harm a good man either in life or death. Do you agree with him or not? [15 marks]
- (b) In reference to Crito discuss the reasons that Socrates give for thinking that breaking the laws of the city cause the city harm. [15 marks]
- Q2. In Nichomachean ethics, Aristotle draws a distinction between the numerical mean and the relative mean to an individual person. Discuss the distribution with regard to how much food is healthy. [20 marks]
- Q3. Critically assess the definition of knowledge as advanced in Theaetetus. [20 marks]
- Q4. Critically discuss Aristotle's definition of excellence explaining why he thinks one cannot learn to be virtuous simply through philosophical inquiry. Do you agree with him or not? [20 marks]
- Q5. In reference to Crito discuss the reasons that Socrates gives for disregarding the views of the majority. [20 marks]