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TITLE OF PAPER

COMPARATIVE HISTORY OF

INDUSTRIALIZATION

COURSE CODE

H405

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TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS, CHOOSING AT LEAST ONE (1) FROM EACH SECTION.

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.

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SECTION A

QUESTION 1

Clearly discuss approaches to the definition of industrialization and analyze the main features in an economy that show that industrialization has taken place.

QUESTION 2

How do you explain the slow and uneven pace of French industrialization c1750-1914?

QUESTION 3

What were the similarities and dissimilarities in the industrialization process of Britain and Germany between 1820s and 1850s?

QUESTION 4

Compare the role of transportation in the industrialization of Britain and continental Europe.

SECTION B

QUESTION 5

Critically examine the main features of Soviet industrialization between 1928 and 1945.

QUESTION 6

Discuss the view that a poor record of secondary industrialization in colonial Africa was proof that Africa was not exploited enough.

QUESTION 7

Analyze the factors in Japan's industrialization that support the view that it is a special case.

QUESTION 8

Which aspects of industrial technology help explain the case of Britain being the fore-runner in the process?