

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA  
FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES  
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY & COUNSELLING  
ACADEMIC YEAR 2018/2019 – SEMSETER I



BACHELOR OF SCIENCE HONOURS IN PSYCHOLOGY  
PLU3307 – LIFESPAN DEVELOPMENT – LEVEL 3  
FINAL EXAMINATION  
DURATION: TWO HOURS

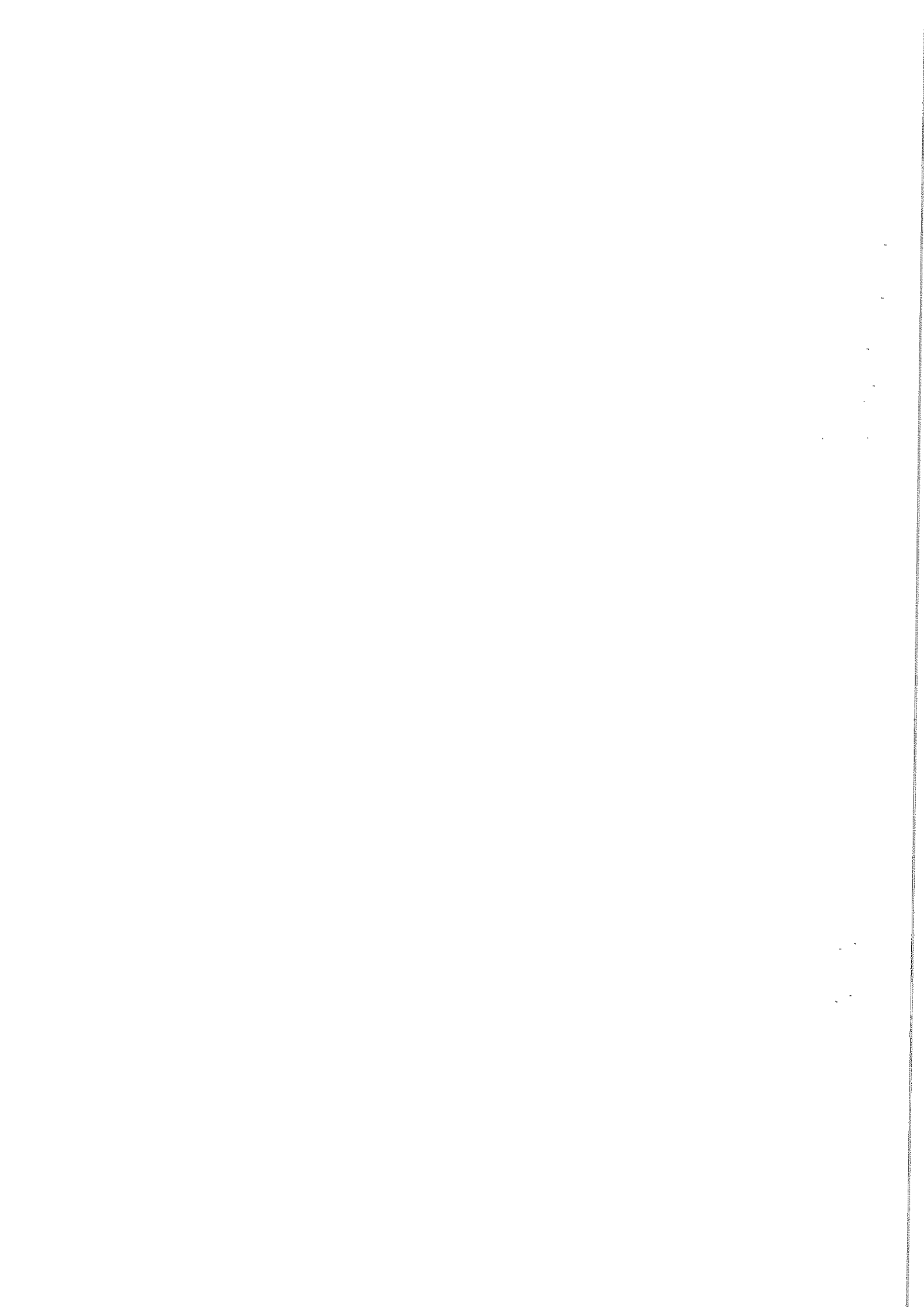
DATE: 09<sup>th</sup> March 2019

TIME: 9.30 A.M – 11.30 P.M

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**IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS/ INFORMATION TO CANDIDATES**

- This question paper consists of 16 pages with two sections.  
**Section 1: 20 Multiple Choice Questions (2x20 = 40 Marks)**  
**Section 2: 06 Structured Essay Questions. Students should Answer only Four Questions (15x4=60 Marks)**
- Write your Registration Number in the space provided.
- **Multiple Choice Questions (Section 1):** Indicate answers in the answer sheet provided by placing a cross (X) in **INK** in the relevant cage (answers in pencil will **NOT** be marked).
- Answer **ALL** questions.
- **Structured Essay Questions (Section 2):** Write answers within the space provided.
- Do **NOT** remove any page/part of this question paper from the examination hall.
- Do **NOT** keep unauthorized material, including mobile phones and other electronic equipment, with you during the examination.



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**SECTION 2: STRUCTURED ESSAY QUESTIONS (04 QUESTIONS – 15x4 = 60 MARKS)**

**ANSWER FOUR QUESTIONS ONLY**

**STATE THE FOUR QUESTIONS IN ORDER YOU HAVE ANSWERED**

QUESTION NO						
MARKS						

**WRITE ANSWERS ONLY WITHIN THE SPACE PROVIDED.**

- 1 a) Define the two specialties that have emerged from evolutionary theory (02 Marks)

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- b) What is the principal of 'imprinting' explained by Konrad Lorenz? (02 Marks)

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- c) Describe the “Stability Vs Change” as a key issue in development psychology (06 Marks)

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- d) Human growth and development researchers utilize the scientific method of ‘Case Study’ to explain changes throughout life. Describe the strengths and weaknesses of the case study method in psychology. (05 Marks)

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c) Briefly explain the impact of nonprescribed drugs to prenatal development. (05 Marks)

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d) What are the emotional changes Mrs. Pieris experienced after delivering her baby? (02 Marks)

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3 a) Describe cognitive development in early childhood according to Piaget’s Theory of Cognitive Development. (05 Marks)

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c) Describe the changes in relationships in midlife. (05 Marks)

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6 a) According to the Lifespan Development Perspective, briefly describe “life expectancy” of men and women in Sri Lanka? (02 Marks)

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b) Explain the major cognitive changes during late adulthood. (05 Marks)

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- c) Define the concepts of brain death and social death as described in developmental psychology.  
(03 Marks)

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- d) Many models of grief exist, but one of the most well-known and highly referred models is that of Kubler Ross. Describe the five-stage process of grief that individuals may go through according to his model. (05 Marks)

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