



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA**  
**FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**  
**DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
**2025\_2 EXAMINATIONS**

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**COURSE CODE: POL311**

**COURSE TITLE: CONTEMPORARY POLITICAL ANALYSIS**

**INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS**

**CREDIT UNIT – 3**

**TIME ALLOWED: 3HOURS**

1. According to Osaghae (1988) political analysis has three main goals. Outline and discuss these goals.
2. Identify and discuss four tools of contemporary political analysis?
3. Discuss the concept of qualitative method and its impact on the research process?
4. Discuss the generally recognised distinctions of knowledge in social sciences literature?
5. Discuss in clear terms the distinction between political science and political philosophy?
6. Trace clearly the historical development of the discipline of political science?