



# THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES

EXAMINATIONS OF \_\_\_\_\_ JULY \_\_\_\_\_ 1999

CODE AND NAME OF COURSE: LA10A LAW AND LEGAL SYSTEMS

DATE AND TIME: THURSDAY 29TH JULY, 1999 9.00 A.M.

DURATION: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES: This paper has 1 pages and 6 questions.

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Answer **THREE** questions.

Answers may be confined to the law of any jurisdiction in the Commonwealth Caribbean unless the context indicates otherwise.

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1. "The rules pertaining to the jurisdiction of the various courts which comprise the system of justice in Commonwealth Caribbean states are complex and serve only to confuse the lay person and seasoned legal practitioner alike."  
Discuss.
2. What are the roles and functions of the jury in a modern society?
3. What reasons would you advance for classifying legal systems?
4. "The doctrine of judicial precedent does not operate efficiently in the Commonwealth Caribbean."  
Discuss.
5. What are the differences between specialised and ordinary courts?
6. "In modern Commonwealth Caribbean legal systems, law is not merely a mechanism for maintaining peace and order."  
Discuss.

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