AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF BEIRUT FAS: CVSP 203 FINALEXAM

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Please answer <u>two</u> questions from **part I** (40%) and <u>one essay</u> (60%) from **part II.** Your essay should be organized and structured. Make sure that address the relevant points. Above all, be original and analytical in your writing.

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- a-How can we tell whether a maxim is a law or not? Give an example to illustrate?
- b-Present two of Mill's arguments in support of freedom of expression?
- c- What is the role of class struggle in history according to Marx? Give an example to illustrate?
- d- Is reason an adequate instrument to attain happiness according to Kant?
- **II-** 1- Both the *Communist Manifesto* and *Faust* offer a certain vision of **struggle**. Discuss in context of Marx's conception of society and history, and Goethe's representation of Faust? Are there common points in both books? Whose view do you prefer?
 - 2- Both Goethe and Bentham present different views about the role of the human will in relation to the moral good. Compare and contrast their views in context of Bentham's stress on the concept of utility and Goethe's depiction of Faust? Whose point of view do you prefer?