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INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
PSPA 202
Section 2

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3:00 4:30

Final Exam

If you are caught cheating in any way you will be immediately expelled from class and you will receive a grade of zero for the exam. Further disciplinary measures might also be pursued.

Part A: (60 points 54 minutes)

Answer, or identify the significance and relevance of the following.
Limit yourself to one paragraph of no more than five lines per answer.

- 1)
- 2) Iron triangles
- 3) - -Bureaucratic Society
- 4) Confederation
- 5) realiz
- 6) Position classifications, their advantages and disadvantages
- 7) Unions, and how they can, positively or negatively, impact an organization
- 8) Do strikes affect government agencies the same way they do private companies?
- 9) Representative bureaucracy and its advantages
- 10) The four objectives of public budgeting
- 11) Line-item budgeting and its weakness
- 12) The ability-to-pay principle
- 13) Rating agencies and their impact on public administration. Are these agencies value-free (unbiased)?
- 14) Compliance audits and their limitations
- 15)

Part B: (40 points 36 minutes)

Some scholars in the field of public administration contend that we have, in industrialized nations at least, encased government in an intricate network of legal and political checks. But do procedural checks fully replace individual moral character as the guarantor of the accountability of government?

Hint: define the terms and mention the theoretical approaches to administrative accountability before identifying the essay question and tackling it.

Bonus: how did the Brownlow Commission err in this respect?