EUROPE SINCE CA. 1740

Please answer one questions from Part I and one question from Part II. You are allowed a total of four hours to complete this exam (two hours per question). You are on your honor not to consult any materials, including notes or papers or anything stored in your computer. You are also on your honor not to discuss the exam or its content with any faculty or student until the exam period is over.

Part I

1. In what ways were European Countries connected to the Atlantic world in the nineteenth century?

2. Was nationalism or class the more important development in the nineteenth century? Take into consideration in your answer Russia and Eastern Europe as well as western European countries.

3. Pick three of the following countries and compare how they dealt with political crises from the mid nineteenth century to World War On: France, Germany, Russia, and Austria.

4. Discuss the importance of imperialism for the outbreak of World War One.

5. Was Russia a part of European history in the nineteenth century? Compare its economic, social, and political development with countries to the west.

6. Discuss the development of private and public in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries in Europe.

Part II

1. Although all European nations eventually industrialized, the varied timing of their economic development was what mattered. Explain.

2. The model of totalitarianism has usually been applied to both the Stalinist and Nazi systems. Can this be justified? Why or why not?

3. Modernism is often treated as a unified and internationalized concept. Consider it instead from a national point of view, taking at least two of the following and discussing how modernism differed between them: Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Scandinavia.
4. Fascism (understood broadly) is commonly thought of as a reactionary movement, but the fascists themselves thought that they were revolutionaries. Explain this apparent paradox.

5. Though anti-Semitism could be found in all European nations, the political role it played varied dramatically. Discuss by focusing on at least two countries.

6. Discuss the waves of 20th-century European decolonization. What were its main features? How did the decolonization process differ in the U.K. and France?