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Exam(s)      1<sup>st</sup> Arts

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Module(s)      Introduction to Politics/Irish Politics

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Repeat Paper      Special Paper

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**Instructions:**      **Answer THREE questions in all.**

Duration      3hs

No. of Answer books

**Requirements:**      3

Handout

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Statistical Tables

Graph Paper

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Other Material

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Department(s)      Political Science & Sociology

## **SP102 - Exam Questions 2004-5**

**Time allowed: THREE Hours**

**Answer THREE questions in all.**

1. What are the ideological differences between political parties in the Republic of Ireland? Give example from THREE political parties within the Republic of Ireland, especially over recent decades.
2. To what extent do Irish voters identify with and vote loyally for political parties in the Republic of Ireland, or alternatively, are they merely just interested in locally oriented and clientelistic style representatives?
3. After a decade or more of reform and change, who does the civil service in the Republic of Ireland now really serve?
4. Compare and contrast the consociational arrangements for government in Northern Ireland established under the Good Friday Agreement with the structures of government in the Republic of Ireland. Explain how these two different systems of government distribute power in very different ways.
5. Discuss the difficulties in implementing the conflict resolution aspects of the Good Friday Agreement.
6. To what extent did the Good Friday Agreement represent a fundamental and historic compromise between Ulster unionism and Irish nationalism?
7. How do Liberalism, socialism, and conservatism differ on the question of equality? In your answer you should compare and contrast at least TWO ideologies from this list of three.
8. Is religious fundamentalism essentially different from nationalism? Use examples to support your answer.
9. Compare and contrast at least TWO of the following: Ecologism, feminism, and contemporary anarchism.