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The Third University Examination in Arts
Geography A

TA307/TA357 - REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY II (South America)

Credit Value: 2/1

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Time allowed: 1.5 hours

Use a separate answer-book for this Section

Answer two questions

1. Give a concise account of the climates or the vegetation of South America.
2. Explain some of the ways in which the physical environment of South America proved an obstacle to the incoming Spanish and Portuguese.
3. Give an outline account of the geography of one of the following areas: the Pampas, Bolivia, central Chile, Paraguay, south-eastern Brazil, Columbia.
4. Write geographic notes on two of the following topics: Brazilia, Patagonia, the Amazon, coffee-production in Brazil, deforestation in South America, mining in Chile, fishing in Peru, the work of the Jeuits in the colonial period, the Altiplano.
5. Describe the economy of South America in the eighteenth century.
6. 'The worst problem facing South America at the present day is over-rapid urbanization'. Discuss.
7. 'Brazil: a sleeping giant'. Discuss.