Answer a total of 5 out of the following 8 questions (each 20%):

- Please describe how sensory receptors convey environmental signals to central nervous system in terms of receptor characteristics and impulse generation.
- 2. If all the neural connections between the hypothalamus and pituitary were severed, how do the pituitary hormones affected by the surgery influence physological functions?
- 3. When the nerves from all the arterial baroreceptors are cut in an experimental animal, what would happen to its mean arterial pressure and explain why it happens.
- 4. A young man who has suffered a head injury seems to have recovered but is thirsty all the time, please explain what you think might be the cause.
- 5. There is disorder of the adrenal cortex in which excessive amount of androgens is produced. If this occurs in a woman, what will happen to her mentrual cycles?
- 6. List the changes (up or down) that occur during exercise for all relevant cardiovascular variables. What are the specific efferent mechanisms that bring about these changes?
- 7. A young woman suffered bile duct spasm which interferes the flow of bile juice to gastrointestinal tracts. In this case, what happen to her gastrointestinal functions?
- 8. What is the mechanism of water reabsorption in kidney, and how are the other ions or molecules coupled to it?