



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2021/2022 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

.....YEARSEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

AGE 100: CARTOGRAPHY AND MAP ANALYSIS

DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND OTHER TWO QUESTIONS, AT LEAST ONE QUESTION FROM EACH SECTION.

SECTION A: COMPULSORY

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Distinguish between the following concepts:
 - i. Cartography and draftsmanship (4 marks)
 - ii. Map reading and map analysis (4 marks)
- b) Explain different sources of data for mapping (6 marks)
- c) Assess the major development of cartography since 20th Century (8 marks)
- d) Describe any two methods used in map drawing (4 marks)
- e) Assess the role of scale in cartography and map analysis (4 marks)

SECTION B: CARTOGRAPHY

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe any four elements of a base map (8 marks)
- b) Assess any four factors governing map design (12 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain different types of maps and show their importance in the contemporary society (9 marks)
- b) Discuss the statement that “Cartography is a science, art and technology” (11 marks)

SECTION C: MAP ANALYSIS

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) State Horton’s law and evaluate its application in cartography and map analysis (12 marks)
- b) Describe four symbols used on map to depict geographical phenomena (8 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the following concepts:
- i. Bifurcation ratio (3 marks)
 - ii. Drainage density (3 marks)
- b) Using illustrations, Clarify two qualitative and two quantitative methods used in topographic maps to depict relief. (14 marks)