



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations 2016/2017

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

(COMMUNITY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT)

ASC 101: SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

DATE: 2/6/2017

TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Anthropology has been described as the science which comes nearest to the total study of man. Discuss. (6 marks)
- b) Distinguish the following branches of anthropology:
- i. Physical anthropology and Social anthropology (4 marks)
 - ii. Action anthropology and Applied anthropology (4 marks)
 - iii. Palaeo-anthropology and Forensic anthropology (4 marks)
- c) Identify four special features of science and use them to discuss anthropology as a science. (12 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Identify and explain the main steps of scientific methods in Social Anthropology (10 marks)
- b) Distinguish between the Matri-Patrilocal residence and Neolocal residence arrangements (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the contribution of Malinowski to the development of anthropology as a discipline of study. (10 marks)
- b) Explain any five methods of acquiring a mate which were popularly accepted with the African cultures. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss Ethnography as a scientific research method in Social Anthropology (10 marks)
- b) Identify and discuss the main arguments in the structural-functional theory (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Using relevant examples, explain any five elements of Culture (10 marks)
- b) Use examples to explain the concepts of acculturation and cultural assimilation (10 marks)