



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL AND MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

DIPLOMA IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

MEDPR 219: MATERIAL SCIENCE III

DATE: 8/5/2019

TIME: 8.30-10.30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question One (Compulsory) and Any Other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Differentiate between Macro and Micro examinations (4 marks)
- b) Define Polymeric materials (2 marks)
- c)
 - i define ceramics (2 marks)
 - ii State any four properties of ceramics (4 marks)
- d) Describe the following classes of plastics;
 - i. Thermosetting
 - ii. thermoplastics (4 marks)
- e)
 - i state four properties of Polymeric materials (4 marks)
 - ii state any four applications of Polymeric materials (4 marks)
- f) describe briefly the principle of micro-examination using a sketch (6 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Describe the following thermal equilibrium diagrams using sketches;

- a) simple eutectic type; (6 marks)
- b) combination type; (7 marks)

- c) solid solution type; (7 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Explain the following material testing processes using sketches;

- a) Ultra-sonic testing
- b) Eddy current
- c) Magnetic particles
- d) Gamma rays method

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) discuss the following types of ceramic materials;
 - i. crystalline
 - ii. non- crystalline (6 marks)
- b) Describe any three applications of and three products of ceramic engineering. (6 marks)
- c) Using sketches describe the etching process in metallography (8 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Describe the following types of plastics stating properties, use and its application.

- a) Urea formaldehyde
- b) Melamine formaldehyde
- c) Phenolic formaldehyde
- d) Polypropylene
- e) Polytetrafluoroethylene