



# **MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY**

**University Examinations 2018/2019**

**SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR**

**CRAFT CERTIFICATE IN PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT**

**INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY**

**HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

**HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT**

**BUSINESS MANAGEMENT**

**GARMENT MAKING**

**PLUMBING**

**1903/105/CS: COMMUNICATION SKILLS**

**DATE:23/4/2019**

**TIME: 8:30 – 11:30 AM**

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## **INSTRUCTIONS**

**Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions**

### **QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)**

- a) Explain FIVE ways in which studying communication skills has been beneficial to you as a student. (10 marks)
- b) Describe five forms of etiquette that are necessary during an interview. (10 marks)
- b) Write a paragraph of not more than one hundred words, explaining the 'impact of technology on writing' (10 marks)

### **QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a) List FOUR points on importance of minutes in an organization (4 marks)
- b) You were recently elected as the secretary of the Journalism club in your institution. A first meeting is due for the new office bearers. Write the
  - i) Notice of the meeting (2 marks)
  - ii) Agenda for the meeting (4 marks)
  - iii) Minutes for the meeting (10 marks)

### **QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Describe the STAGES in communication process (6 marks)
- b) Define the term "courtesy in writing" (2 marks)
- c) Differentiate the following terms as used in communication skills:
  - i) A report and an essay (4 marks)
  - ii) Structured interview and unstructured interview (4 marks)
  - iii) Verbal communication and Visual literacy (4 marks)

### **QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- a) The body of a report is very important in report writing. Identify five ways in which you would organize your content in this part to make your report meaningful. (10 marks)
- b) Explain five ways in which one can demonstrate courtesy when writing a business letter (10 marks)

### **QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Explain four types of essays in communication skills (8 marks)
- b) Explain six ways in which one can ensure effective listening in any form of communication (12 marks)