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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES

THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMMUNITY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

HCR 411: AGING AND SOCIAL WELFARE SERVICES

DATE: 10/5/2019

TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

This paper consists of **Five** questions.

Answer Question 1 and any other **Two** questions

Question 1 carries 30 marks

Question 2-5 carry 20 marks each

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain the following concepts (10 marks)
- i) Wellbeing
 - ii) Gerontology
 - iii) Social welfare
 - iv) Social policy
 - v) Social welfare delivery system
- b) Differentiate between sociological and psychological theories of aging (10 marks)
- c) Highlight on five (5) emerging issues in provision of social welfare services for the elderly in Kenya today (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe five (5) benefits associated with older persons cash transfer initiative in Kenya today (10 marks)
- b) Explain four biological theories of aging (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Briefly discuss five programs geared towards addressing social welfare needs of the elderly by the Kenyan government (10 marks)
- b) Elaborate on five key notions of the psychological theories of aging (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Give five arguments to support the concept of **aging in place** as opposed to institutional care (15 marks)
- b) Elaborate on five (5) points to show the importance of elder care (5 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss five main challenges faced by the Kenyan government in provision of health services to the elderly (10 marks)
- b) Elaborate on Person- Environment-Fit theory of aging (10 marks)
- c) Describe five solutions to challenges discussed in (a) above (5 marks)