



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE IN
BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

EET 201: MACROECONOMIC THEORY II

DATE: 5/6/2017

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question ONE and Any Other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Distinguish the following concepts:
 - i. Labour demand and labour supply (2 marks)
 - ii. Full employment and unemployment (2 marks)
 - iii. Demand side and supply side of the economy (2 marks)
 - iv. Real theory and monetary theory of interest (2 marks)
- b) With an aid of well labeled diagrams distinguish between relative income hypothesis and lifecycle income hypothesis (8 marks)
- c) Using well labelled diagrams, analyse the impact of a decrease in money supply in the classical model. This should be followed by a detailed explanation. (8 marks)
- d) Explain the effects of monetary policy in the three ranges of LM curve. (6 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Enumerate the key contributions of the Keynesians economics and the main recommendations advanced by the classics in the management of economic of a nation
(6 marks)
- b) In order to understand the classical arguments in solving macroeconomic problems the classical theory of output and employment is based on four pillars. Briefly explain each of these pillars.
(10 marks)
- c) Explain the difference between the revaluation of a currency and the depreciation of a currency.
(4 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Distinguish between the effects of an expansionary fiscal or monetary policies when the economy is at full employment and not at full employment
(10 marks)
- b) Distinguish between current account and capital account of the balance of payments. Mention the various items on both of these accounts
(10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Distinguish between balance of payments and balance of trade
(3 marks)
- b) Under what conditions would devaluation improve the balance of payment position in an economy
(7 marks)
- c) If the money wage is fixed and individuals cannot accept wage cut, use a diagram to explain classical remedy to unemployment arising in this case
(10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Using well labelled diagrams explain how a balance of payment surplus under flexible exchange rate would be rectified.
(10 marks)
- b) The Kenyan economy has experienced persistent rise in the price levels of commodities over the past years. How can the government help solve this macroeconomic problem?
(10 marks)