



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2024/2025 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY AND SPECIAL NEEDS
EDUCATION

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE IN
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL NEEDS)

ESN 100: DEVELOPMENT OF SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION

DATE: 20TH JANUARY, 2025

TIME: 11.00 AM – 1.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer question **ONE (Compulsory)** and **any other TWO** questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Describe five features of Special Needs Education. (10 Marks)
- b) Discuss ten observable characteristics of children with Visual impairments. (10 Marks)
- c) Explain five pre-natal causes of disability. (10 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss ten characteristics that would enable a teacher identify a learner who is Gifted and Talented in class. (10 Marks)
- b) Explain five educational programmes that a school can put in place for learners who are Gifted and Talented. (10 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Outline six categories of children living under extremely difficult circumstances. (12 Marks)
- b) Describe four characteristics that would enable a teacher to identify a learner living under extremely difficult circumstances. (8 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe ten characteristics of learners with hearing impairments. (10 Marks)
- b) Explain five educational interventions for learners with hearing impairments. (10 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe ten characteristics of learners with mental retardation. (10 Marks)
- b) Examine five family factors contributing to Emotional and Behavior Disorders in learners. (10 Marks)