



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2022/2023 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FIRST YEAR SUPPLEMENTARY/SPECIAL EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF ARTS

ASC 101: INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY

DATE: 8/3/2023

TIME: 11.00 – 1.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Highlight any five important reasons for studying anthropology as a discipline (10 marks)
- b) Highlight five differences between anthropology and sociology (10 marks)
- c) Using relevant examples discuss the functions of religion in our society (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) With the help of a diagram discuss the main branches and sub-branches of anthropology (15 marks)
- b) Highlight any five characteristics of culture (5 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Differentiate between the following terms as applied in anthropological studies (20 marks)

- i. Cultural loss and acculturation
- ii. Affinity and Consanguinity
- iii. Role differentiation and social stratification
- iv. Polygyny and polygamy
- v. Cultural complex and cultural relativity

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Define social stratification and discuss its importance in the society (10 marks)
- b) Examine the contribution of Margret Mead to the field of Anthropology. What new contributions does Meads psychological bring to the field of anthropology? (10 marks)