



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2018/2019 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

BACHELOR OF ECONOMICS

BACHELOR OF ARTS

EAE 308: INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS II

DATE: 25/4/2019

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

- (i) Answer question one (Compulsory) and any other two questions
- (ii) Do not write on the question paper
- (iii) Show your working clearly

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

a) Explain the following concepts

- (i) International Finance (2 marks)
- (ii) Balance of Payments (2 marks)
- (iii) Frictionless Price (2 marks)
- (iv) International Moneys (2 marks)

b) The fundamental equations in an economy are given as:

$$\text{Consumption function (C)} = 260 + 0.8 Y_d,$$

$$\text{Investment function (}\bar{I}\text{)} = 320$$

$$\text{Tax} = 300$$

$$\text{Government Expenditure (G)} = 300$$

$$\text{Exports (X)} = 300 - 0.05Y$$

$$\text{Imports (M)} = 0$$

You are required to ascertain the following:

- i) Find the equilibrium level of income (4 marks)
 - ii) Find the net exports at equilibrium level of income (2 marks)
 - iii) Find the equilibrium level of income and the net exports when there is an increase in investment from 320 to 340 (2 marks)
 - iv) Find the equilibrium level of income and the net exports when the net export function becomes $280 - 0.05Y$ (2 marks)
- c) The equilibrium in the real, monetary and foreign sectors is given by the IS, LM, and BP curves.
- i) Define IS, LM, and BP curves (3 marks)
 - ii) Derive IS, LM and BP curves and show the simultaneous equilibrium in the real and monetary and foreign sectors. (7 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the concept “Balance of Payment Deficit” (2 marks)
- b) Explain how balance of payment Deficit is corrected under flexible exchange rate regime. (8 marks)
- b) Explain stages of Economic Integration (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain four main functions of International Finance (8 marks)
- b) With aid of a well labeled diagram explain decrease in autonomous exports of the simultaneous equilibrium in the real and monetary sectors of the economy (10 marks)
- c) Explain the Marshal Lerner Condition (2 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain welfare effects of economic integration for a small country (10 marks)
- b) Explain how IMF, World Bank and World Trade Organisation were founded, for what purpose and how they operate (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain how the gold standard system work in practice and state problems associated with the Bretton woods system (10 marks)
- b) Explain five differences between a forward and futures contract (10 marks)