



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations 2018/2019

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS

ASC 103: SOCIAL STRUCTURE OF AFRICAN SOCIETIES

DATE: 10/5/2019

TIME: 2.00-4.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and any other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms
- i. Family (2 marks)
 - ii. Community (2 marks)
 - iii. Society (2 marks)
 - iv. Institution (2 marks)
 - v. Culture (2 marks)
 - vi. Socialization (2 marks)
 - vii. Social Status (2 marks)
- b) Explain the following using relevant examples
- i. Social Structure (4 marks)
 - ii. Social Control (4 marks)
 - iii. Social Interaction (4 marks)
 - iv. Social Processes (4 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the factors that have influenced Kenyan people to call for a New Constitution in 2019. (10 marks)
- b) Using relevant examples, discuss the elements of social structure. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Using functionalist perspective discuss the changes in the Kenyan society from pre-colonial period to modernization period.

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe how the life in Kenyan rural areas has changed over the last couple of years and explain how it has affected people's behaviour in the rural areas (10 marks)
- b) Elaborate the functional significance of laws in modern African Societies. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the factors which differentiate social classes in Kenya. (10 marks)
- b) Explain why class never existed in pre-colonial Kenya (10marks)