



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR BACHELOR OF ARTS

ASC 306: DEMOGRAPHY AND POPULATION STUDIES

DATE: 2/8/2017

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the various sources of demographic data. (17 marks)
- b) Highlight the essential features of census. (6 marks)
- c) Describe the principal sources of content errors. (7 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Using various examples, describe the factors that contribute to high maternal mortality in developing countries. (20 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the relationship between demography and the following disciplines;
 - i) Geography (4 marks)
 - ii) Economics (4 marks)
 - iii) Sociology (4 marks)
- b) Differentiate between the following terms:
 - i) Sterility and life births. (4 marks)
 - ii) still births and miscarriage (4 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Explore on the factors that determine fertility differentials in Africa. (20 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Discuss seven factors contributing to high population growth rate in Africa. (20marks)