



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2024/2025 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY & ECE

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE IN BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ECE)

ECE 214: HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF ECE IN KENYA

DATE: 13TH JANUARY, 2025

TIME: 8.30 AM – 10.30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

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

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) The following are some of programmes common in early childhood education. Explain their origin and purpose.
- i) Home-based centers
 - ii) Day care centers
 - iii) Madrassa (6 Marks)
- b) Describe the structure of traditional African system of education. (6 Marks)
- c) State four recommendations of the 1969 seminar on the status of pre-primary school education in Kenya. (6 Marks)
- d) Describe any six roles of National Centre for Early childhood education (NACECE) in Kenya. (6 Marks)
- e) Briefly explain any **Three** recommendations of the Gachathi Committee on early childhood education. (6 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the objectives and recommendations of the Kamunge Educational report of 1985. (10 Marks)
- b) “The launch of the National Early Childhood Development and Education Policy Framework marked an important milestone for early childhood sub-sector”. Discuss the validity of this statement. (10 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Discuss the development and achievement of pre-school education project under the following sub-headings.

- a) Its inception (2 Marks)
- b) Objectives of the project (3 Marks)
- c) Implementation of the project (8 Marks)
- d) Achievement of the project. (7 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe the recommendations and the approaches suggested at the 1999 symposium on Alternative and Complementary Approaches for early childhood care survival growth and development. (10 Marks)
- b) Using examples, discuss five methods through which Africans used to educate their children. (10 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe the development of education between 1949-1957 in Kenya. (10 Marks)
- b) The British colonization of Kenya on children and their families. Discuss the effect of British colonization on children in Kenya. (10 Marks)