



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations 2018/2019

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

BACHELOR OF ARTS

AGE 203: REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY OF EAST AFRICA

DATE: 10/5/2019

TIME: 8.30-10.30 AM

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## INSTRUCTIONS

ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND OTHER TWO QUESTIONS, AT LEAST ONE QUESTION FROM EACH SECTION.

### SECTION A: COMPULSORY

- 1
  - a) Assess four contributions of Arabs and Portuguese towards the development of East Africa. (4 marks)
  - b) Explain three factors that determine the soil types in East Africa. (6 marks)
  - c) Using illustrations, explain how Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone influence rainfall patterns in East Africa. (8 marks)
  - d) Describe the distribution of any two rock types in East Africa and show how they are related to the surface relief in the region. (6 marks)
  - e) Assess three major problems facing urban growth in East African region. (6 marks)

### SECTION B: PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

2. Using relevant examples, describe the physiographic regions of East African. (20 marks)
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  - a) Discuss the factors that control vegetation distribution in East Africa. (12 marks)
  - b) Describe two major vegetation types of East Africa. (8 marks)

## SECTION C: HUMAN ENVIRONMENT

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| 4 | a) | Account for the spatial variation of population in East Africa.                      | (16 marks) |
|   | b) | Examine two threats to the development of tourism industry in East African region.   | (4 marks)  |
| 5 | a) | Evaluate the role of Government in improving pastoralism in East African Communities | (8 marks)  |
|   | b) | Assess the role of agriculture in economic development of East African Countries.    | (12 marks) |