



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2018/2019 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

THIRD YEAR SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

BACHELOR OF ARTS

ASC 301: SOCIOLOGY OF MARRIAGE AND THE FAMILY

DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE(30 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms (4 marks)
- i. marriage
 - ii. family
- b) Briefly outline the origin of marriage (6 marks)
- c) Discuss types of marriages according to the Marriage ACT CAP 150 (10 marks)
- d) Briefly explain how family has changed over time (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Considering the Kenyan context explain the family and household structure (10 marks)
- b) Explain five functions of a family (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Discuss the role of the following genders in the family

- a) Men
- b) Women

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Using sociological knowledge, discuss social reasons why there have been changes in divorce rates in Kenya.

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Explain how parenthood affects marital success. Use examples and details to support your answer.