



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR
SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
BSC. AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & RESOURCE
MANAGEMENT**

COURSE CODE: ARE 2106

COURSE TITLE : RURAL SOCIOLOGY

DATE: 23RD APRIL 2018

TIME: 1100 – 1300 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- *Answer question ONE (compulsory) and any other TWO questions.*
- *Question one carries 30 marks*
- *All other questions carry 20 marks*

QUESTION1

- (a) Explain the difference between:
- i. Status and role
 - ii. Norms and values
- (b) Explain four distinguishing features of *Gemmeinshaft* and *Gesellschaft* according to Ferdinand Tonnies' classification of rurality and urbanism.
- (c) Discuss four important reasons for studying rural sociology
- (d) Discuss three cultural problems which arise from being landless among Kenya's rural Communities

(5 Marks)

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QUESTION2

- (a) Discuss two techniques for identifying rural community leaders
- (b) By use of suitable illustrations, describe three functions of community leaders

(8 Marks)

(12 Marks)

QUESTION3

- (a) Discuss four characteristics of social change
- (b) Explain three barriers to social change in Kenya

(12 Marks)

(8 Marks)

QUESTION4

- (a) Define food security and describe three populations that tend to be highly vulnerable to food and nutrition insecurity
- (b) Discuss critically any six remedies to causes of food insecurity in Kenya.

(8 Marks)

(12 Marks)

QUESTION 5

- (a) Discuss any five features which distinguish rural and urban markets in Kenya
- (b) Explain four challenges experienced by rural markets in developing Countries.

(10 Marks)

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