



# **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS  
2018/ 2019 ACADEMIC YEAR  
FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF TOURISM AND NATURAL  
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT  
BACHELOR OF URBAN AND REGIONAL  
PLANNING**

**COURSE CODE: URP 1101  
COURSE TITLE: PLANNING THEORY AND  
PRINCIPLES**

**DATE: 3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER, 2018**

**TIME: 0830 – 1030 HRS**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer ALL questions in section A and any other THREE in section B.

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**SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS (25 MARKS)**

1. a) Define the following terms
  - i. Planning (2 marks)
  - ii. Theory (2 marks)
  - iii. Sustainable development (2 marks)
  - iv. Public participation (2 marks)
  - v. Blue print (2 marks)
- b) Differentiate the following concepts
  - i. Theory of planning (1 mark)
  - ii. Theory for planning (1 mark)
  - iii. Theory in planning (1 mark)
- c) Explain five reasons as to why planning theory is important to urban planning as a discipline. (5 marks)
- d) Explain three importance of utopianism to the development of planning. (3 marks)
- e) Outline four key differences between the built rural and urban environments. (4 marks)

**SECTION B: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS (45 MARKS)**

2. Discuss the following planning approaches and their relevance in postmodern discourse
  - i. Comprehensive/ synoptic (5 marks)
  - ii. Incremental (5 marks)
  - iii. Advocacy (5 marks)
3. Using relevant examples, explain any five African cultural factors that influence contemporary spatial planning. (15 marks)
4. a) Planning theory has been characterized by fragmentation with divergent views and concepts continuously emerging. Discuss three consequences of this phenomenon. (6 marks)
- b) Explain any three factors that led to the founding on the Frankfurt school of critical theory. (9 marks)
5. Discuss five contributions of rational comprehensive theory to the development of planning. (15 marks)

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