

## MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

# REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR

# SCHOOL OF EDUCATION BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

**COURSE CODE: CIM 311** 

**COURSE TITLE: SPECIAL METHODS IN** 

**MATHEMATICS** 

DATE: 26/04/2019 TIME: 1430 - 1630 HRS

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions

- (a) What considerations do you take into account when choosing a teaching method in mathematics instruction? (5 Marks)
- (b) "Mathematics education is an important component in the overall development of all the youth in this country". Justify this statement. (10Marks)
- (c) Critically examine five (5) effects of "textbook teaching". (5 Marks)
- (d) Examine the evolution of secondary school mathematics since 1963.

(10 Marks)

#### **OUESTION 2**

- (a) Discuss the five (5) reasons why mathematics should be taught to all the youth of this country. (10 Marks)
- (b) Identify and discuss five (5) factors which you could consider when developing a quality scheme of work. (10 Marks)

#### **QUESTION 3**

(a) (i) What is supervised practice?

(1 Marks)

- (ii) Explain the advantages of using supervised practice in the teaching and learning of mathematics. (3 Marks)
- (b) Examine the characteristics of instructional objective (10 Marks)
- (c) Objectives may be classified according to the primary learning outcomes that take place, typically into domains or categories. Explain the three categories. (7 Marks)

### **QUESTION FOUR**

(20 Marks)

- (a) Explain the rationale for the introduction of calculator use at secondary school level of education in Kenya. (2 Marks)
- (b) Discuss the two broad categories of methods of instruction in mathematics. ( **8 Marks**)
- (c) Suggested areas that may require a practical approach in secondary school mathematics. (4 Marks)
- (d) Discuss the use of mathematics textbook in a mathematics classroom.

(6 Marks)

### **QUESTION FIVE**

(20)

- (a) What challenges do students face when using calculators in solving mathematical problems? (3 Marks)
- (b) i) What is "Textbook Teaching"? (2 Marks)
  - ii) Critically examine five (5) effects of "textbook teaching". (5 Marks)
- (c) Examine any five (5) emerging issues in mathematics education (10 Marks)

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