## MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

## REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SCHOOL BASED)

# COURSE CODE: PSY 311 COURSE TITLE: MEASUREMENTS AND EVALUATION 

## INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

Attempt question 1 (ONE) and any other 2 (TWO) questions

## OUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY - 30 marks)

a) Explain FIVE (5) reasons for studying measurements and evaluation as a teacher
b) (i) Complete the frequency table below;

| Class <br> Interval | Frequency | Mid Points | True/Real <br> Class <br> Limits | Cumulative <br> Frequency <br> Below | Cumulative <br> Frequency <br> Above |
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| $33-35$ | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| $30-32$ | 4 |  |  |  |  |
| $27-29$ | 4 |  |  |  |  |
| $24-26$ | 8 |  |  |  |  |
| $21-23$ | 8 |  |  |  |  |
| $18-20$ | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| $15-17$ | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| $12-14$ | 1 |  |  |  |  |

(4 Marks)
(ii) Using the above frequency table in $\mathrm{b}(\mathrm{i})$, compute the following measures; Mode,

Median, Mean, Variance and Standard Deviation
(iii) Using the measures of central tendency found in $b$ (ii) above, describe the shape of the distribution of scores and performance of students on the test
c) Illustrate by use of diagrams and comment on the following deviations from the normal curve:
i) Positive Skewness
ii) Negative Skewness
iii) Leptokurtic Distribution
iv) Mesokurtic Distribution
v) Platykurtic Distribution

Q2. a) (i) Explain the following concepts:
i) Table of test specifications
ii) Item analysis
iii) Item format
iv) Test specification
(ii) Give TWO (2) uses of table of specifications in test construction (2 marks)
b) Using examples, explain FIVE (5) general uses of measurement and evaluation
(10 marks)

Q3. a) Using examples, explain FOUR (4) levels (or scales) of measurement (10 marks
b) Differentiate between the following:
i) Descriptive statistics and inferential statistics
ii) Item difficulty and item discrimination
iii) Qualitative and quantitative variable
iv) Continuous and discrete variable
v) Evaluation and measurement

Q4. a) Explain the following item formats
i) Written exams
ii) Oral exams
iii) Performance tests
b) Give TWO (2) advantages and TWO (2) disadvantages of written examinations
(4 marks)
c) Explain FIVE (5) factors that affect the choice of item format (or type) a teacher will use in making classroom test

Q5. a) Discuss FIVE (5) qualities and skills a teacher should possess to be a successful item constructor
(10 marks)
b) Explain FIVE (5) steps a teacher must observe during test construction

