



# **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS  
FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER  
2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES  
DIPLOMA IN SOCIAL WORK**

**COURSE CODE: DSS 1101**

**COURSE TITLE : QUANTITATIVE TECHNIQUES**

**DATE : 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

**TIME: 8.30 A.M. – 10.30 A.M**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

*Answer question one and any other three questions*

### Question One

- a) Define the following:
- i) Permutation
  - ii) Combination
  - iii) Income Tax (3 marks)
- b) Mary deposited Sh. 458,000 in a bank offering a simple interest of 10% per annum. Determine the:
- i) Accrued amount after 8 years (3 marks)
  - ii) Time it will take for an accrued amount of Sh. 800,000. (3 marks)
- c) Given that  $x = 14$ ,  $y = 5$ ,  $z = -1$ , evaluate (3 marks)
- $$(x^2 + y)^3 - (y^2 - z^3)^2$$
- d) Dan invested Sh. 98,000 in a bank offering a compound interest of 15% per annum. Determine the:
- i) Amount accrued after 20 years. (3 marks)
  - ii) Time it will take for an accrued amount of Sh. 140,000. (4 marks)
- e) Determine the values of  $k$  that makes the following equations perfect square: (6 marks)
- i)  $2x^2 - kx + 8$
  - ii)  $3x^2 + 3x + k$

### Question two

Given that set  $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12\}$ ,  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$ ,  $B = \{6, 8, 9, 12\}$  and  $C = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

- a) Giving reasons state the set which is a subset of A (2 marks)
- b) Determine the following
- i.  $A^c$  (1 marks)
  - ii.  $A \cap B$  (2 marks)
  - iii.  $B - A$  (2 marks)
  - iv.  $A \cup B$  (2 marks)
  - v.  $A \cap C$  (2 marks)
- c) Show that  $\Omega$  is partitioned by B and C (4 marks)

### Question three

The data below illustrate the number of vehicles that passed over a bridge in 60 days, use it to answer the questions that follows;

12	13	14	15	10	9	11	15	13	9
11	10	10	12	13	11	10	9	11	12
12	15	15	14	13	13	15	15	12	11
9	9	11	12	13	14	12	13	12	12
10	10	10	11	12	13	15	14	13	14
9	10	11	12	11	9	9	12	13	10

- i. Tabulate the data into a discrete frequency distribution (4 marks)
- ii. Using the discrete frequency distribution calculate
  - a) Mean of the dataset (3 marks)
  - b) The median (3 marks)
  - c) Mode (1 mark)
  - d) Standard deviation (4 marks)

### Question four

- a. Define the following terms as used in sequence and series
  - i) Arithmetic Process (2 marks)
  - ii)  $N^{\text{th}}$  term (1 mark)
- b. Find the sum of the n terms in the brackets of the following series
  - i)  $-2, 1, 4, 7, \dots$  (first 20 terms) (3 marks)
  - ii)  $\frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \dots$  (first 15 terms) (3 marks)
  - iii)  $5, 10, 15, \dots$  (first 20 terms) (3 marks)
  - iv)  $2, 6, 18, 54, \dots$  (first 10 terms) (3 marks)

### Question five

- a) Solve the following equations:
  - i)  $\frac{8-2x}{3} - \frac{7-x}{4} = 10$  (3 marks)
  - ii)  $2x^2 + 3x - 14 = 0$  using factorization (3 marks)
  - iii)  $7x^2 - 19x - 5 = 0$  using quadratic formula (4 marks)
- b) The marks scored by students in a C.A.T were recorded as follows:

Marks	5 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 19	20 - 24	25 - 29
Number of students	5	10	20	16	4

Draw a bar graph to represent this data. (5 marks)

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