

MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR SECOND YEAR SEMESTER ONE

SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, SOCIAL STUDIES AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

COURSE CODE: PSA 2112-1
COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO
COMPARATIVE POLITICS

DATE: 7TH DECEMBER, 2022 TIME: 1430-1630

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Do not write anything on the question paper.
- b. Answer **QUESTION ONE** and any other **TWO** questions from those given.
- c. Rough work can be done on the answer booklet and crossed through.

QUESTION ONE

- a) As a political science expert, you have been invited to give a public lecture on the major thematic areas and the importance of comparative politics in contemporary society. Highlight on the key aspects of your presentation.
 [12 Marks]
- b) Discuss the tenets of bicameral system of legislature in relation to any democratic state of your choice. [8 Marks]

QUESTION TWO

Compare and contrast the tenets of political systems theory and Cultural theory in the study of comparative politics. [15 Marks]

QUESTION THREE

a) Discuss the distinctive roles of political parties in democratic societies.

[7 Marks]

b) Examine how primordial social attributes have influenced election in most developing countries in 21st Century. [8 Marks]

QUESTION FOUR

Examine the different forms of military interventions and the justification for their interventions on civilian affairs. [15 Marks]

QUESTION FIVE

Discuss the tenets of either Marxism or Fascism as political ideologies in the study of comparative politics. [15 Marks]

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