



**MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**  
**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**  
**2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR**  
**SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCES,  
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES AND  
AGRICULTURE**

**BACHELOR OF ARTS GEOGRAPHY AND  
GEOSPATIAL TECHNIQUES**

**COURSE CODE: GEO 2115-1**  
**COURSE TITLE: RURAL GEOGRAPHY AND  
DEVELOPMENT**

**DATE: 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2023**

**TIME: 0830-1030 HOURS**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer **ALL** questions in Section A, and any **THREE** questions in Section B.  
use illustrations where appropriate.

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**SECTION A: (20 MARKS)**

1. Explain Hudson's location theory and rural settlement (5 marks)
2. Highlight Johann Heinrich von Thunen's Theory of Agricultural Location (5 marks)
3. Discuss how we can mainstream gender for sustainable livelihoods and food security (5 marks)
4. Describe how we can mainstream youth in agriculture (5 marks)

**SECTION B: (30 MARKS)**

5. Discuss how achievements of Sustainable Development Goals can transform rural areas in Kenya (10 marks)
6. Assess dimensions of rural poverty analysis for sustainability using Narok County as your case study (10 marks)
7. Analyze technical options for sustainable land and soil management in Kenya's rural areas (10 marks)
8. Discuss sustainable water management in Arid and Semi-Arid Areas (10 marks)

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