

MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCE, ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES AND AGRICULTURE

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN GEOGRAPHY AND GEOSPATIAL TECHNIQUES

COURSE CODE: GEO 4269-1

TITLE: FLUVIAL GEOMORPHOLOGY

DATE: 18/4/24 TIME: 1100-1300HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer **ALL** questions in section **A** and any other **THREE** in section **B**. *This paper consists of 2 printed pages. Please turn over*

SECTION A - 20 MARKS

- 1. Define fluvial geomorphology and explain its significance in understanding landscape evolution (5 Marks)
- 2. State five assumptions of Hackian theory of landscape development (5 Marks)
- 3. Describe the processes involved in fluvial erosion, transportation, and deposition (5 Marks)
- 4. Explain the mechanisms of glacial erosion (5 Marks)

SECTION B - 30 MARKS

- 5. By use of examples, explain five impacts of human activities on fluvial systems (10 Marks)
- 6. Critically examine, five principles and methods used in studying fluvial geomorphology (10 Marks)
- 7. Discuss the concept of river channel morphology and the factors that control channel shape and pattern (10 Marks)
- 8. Evaluate the role of sediment transport in shaping river landscapes and the factors that influence sediment transport rates (10 Marks)
- 9. Discuss the interactions between fluvial processes and ecological systems in riparian zones. (10 Marks)

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