

## **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

### REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

# SCHOOL OF TOURISM AND NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT

COURSE CODE: WLM 456
COURSE TITLE: WILDLIFE NUTRITION

DATE: 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2018 TIME: 1100-1300 HRS

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer ALL questions in section A and any other THREE in section B.

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#### Section A: Answer all question (25 marks)

- 1. a) Explain the importance of understanding wildlife nutrition (4 marks)
- 2. a) Explain what is referred as food begging (2 marks)
- b) Briefly discuss the importance of food begging to young animals (3 marks)
- 3. a) Define the term basal metabolic rate (2 mark)
  - b) Explain the factors that influence basal metabolic rates in different species of wildlife (5 marks)
- 4. Briefly discuss the factors that influence wildlife nutrition in a given area (5 marks)
- 5. Briefly explain the influence of secondary plant compounds on herbivore feeding (4 marks)

#### Section B: Answer three (3) questions only (45 marks)

- 6. Discuss exhaustively the nutrition needs for wildlife (15 marks)
- 7. Giving examples where possible, discuss **three (3)** methods applied to analyse wildlife diets **(15 marks)**
- 8. Using examples where possible, discuss major differences between the foregut and hidgut digestive system (15 marks)
- 9. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of wildlife supplemental feeding (15 marks)

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