

### **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

# REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

## SCHOOL OF TOURISM AND NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT BACHELOR OF TOURISM MANAGEMENT

COURSE CODE: BTM 2106
COURSE TITLE: TOURISM INNOVATION AND
DIVERSIFICATION

DATE: 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2018 TIME: 0830 – 1030HRS

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

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

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#### **SECTION A-25 marks**

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- a) Distinguish between the terms tourism innovation and diversification (3 marks)
- b) What are the main drivers of innovation in the tourism industry globally **(5 marks)**
- c) Identify any five types of innovations that can be adopted by the tourism industry (5 marks)
- d) Illustrate the process of innovation diffussion (6 marks)
- e) Briefly explain any six barriers to tourism product diversification and innovation in Kenya (6 marks)

#### **SECTION B-45 marks**

- 2. a) Discuss the current and future trends that are likely to influence international tourists' tastes, expectations and preferences. **(10 marks)** 
  - b) Explain the role of innovations in responding to the trends in 2(a) above (5 marks)
- 3. According to Vision 2030, Kenya aims at being among the top ten longhaul tourist destinations globally. To be ranked among the top ten, Kenya must expand her global and African market share by offering new products.
- a) Critique the features of Kenya's tourism product (7 marks)
- b) In light of the above statement, discuss the new tourism products that Kenya can innovatively develop in order to be competitive. (8 marks)
- 4. Explain why a tourism firm will embrace and encourage product enhancement and innovation (15 marks)
- 5. Describe the role of technology in diffussion and adoption of innovations in the tourism industry (15 marks)

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