



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2019/2020 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

BACHELOR OF ARTS

AGE: 101: DEVELOPMENT OF GEOGRAPHIC THOUGHT

DATE: 9/12/2019

TIME: 8.30-10.30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Briefly differentiate between environmental determinism and possibilism schools of thought (4 marks)
- b) Explain why Erasthenes is referred to as the father of Geography (4 marks)
- c) Describe main tools used in the field of Geography (8 marks)
- d) Differentiate between systematic and regional approaches in the study of geography (4 marks)
- e) Explain main characteristics in the study of geography before 1950s (4 marks)
- f) Explain any three contributions of the Greek philosophers to development of geography (6 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the main ideas expressed in the Greek topographical traditional approach in the study of geography and their application today. (10 marks)
- b) Explain the contributions of the school of environmental determinism to study of Geography today (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain main contributions of Emmanuel Kant to development of geographic study (10 marks)
- b) Explain how ideas expressed in the Greek mathematical tradition approach in the study of geography are applicable today (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain how ideas expressed in the Darwinism theory are applicable in the study of geography today (10 marks)
- b) Explain how astronomical tradition approach to study of geography is useful to geographers today (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the influence of Varenus to development of Geography (10 marks)
- b) Critic the application of the theological theory to the development of Geography (10 marks)