



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS (PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION)

AHT 102: INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE

DATE: 4/12/2019

TIME: 2.00-4.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Politics has been variously defined. Using relevant examples identify and discuss the various definitions (10 marks)
- b) Discuss the utility for dividing political science into various sub-fields (10 marks)
- c) Aristotle's observation that man is a political animal is critical to the understanding of politics. Discuss (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Assess the centrality of the treaty of Westphalia to the understanding of the modern state

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Critically examine the various basic institutions of government

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

With relevant examples critically analyze the difference between power and authority

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Identify and discuss the various types of sovereignty