



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2019/2020 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS

ASC: 427: SOCIOLOGY OF YOUTH

DATE: 26/10/2020

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the following concepts (10 marks)
- i) Youth
 - ii) Adolescent
 - iii) Adult
 - iv) Culture
 - v) Subculture
- b) Discuss the five main stages of youth transition to adulthood (10 marks)
- c) Outline the main types of youth subcultures and explain their functions in society (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the main perspectives applied to describe a youth in our societies (10 marks)
- b) Explain how these perspectives influence the period and age of transition (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss how subcultures grow and are identified by the wider society (10 marks)
- b) “Youth transition is a process of status changes and alterations” Discuss. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

With reference to the life course theory explain how early experiences and life events can influence individual transition to adulthood.

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

With examples outline how traditional transition to adulthood differs from the modern