



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2020/2021 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANTIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS

APH 201: SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

DATE: 12/8/2021

TIME: 2.00-4.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30MARKS)

Define the following

- a) Is there fundamental difference between social and political philosophy? (4 marks)
- b) Discuss the link between ethics, law and politics. (18 marks)
- c) Why is it necessary to study a course in social and political theory? (8 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Elaborate either Plato's or Aristotle's ethico-political theory.

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Divine command theory asserts that Political authority is regarded as God given. Elaborate this view.

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

According to J. S. Mill democracy enshrined basic human rights as a libertarianist. Discuss.

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Philosophers have only thought about the world. The real task is to change it. Elaborated this statement as understood by Karl Marx