



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2020/2021 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

AHT 318: GENDER RELATIONS IN AFRICA

DATE: 18/8/2021

TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS.

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Division of social, economic and political responsibilities in pre-colonial African societies was gender-based. Citing relevant examples, give an informed commentary on the above statement. (15 marks)
- b) Identify retrogressive cultural practices and discuss their impact on gender equality. (15 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Discuss the role of women in the anti-pass law campaigns of South Africa.

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Gender-based oppression of women can be traced to the colonial period. Discuss the validity of this statement using appropriate examples.

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Discuss the contribution of women in the Borana Society of Kenya.

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Citing relevant examples, explain the steps that have been undertaken to promote gender equity and highlight their impact on the society.