



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2020/2021 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS

ASC 401: LAW AND SOCIETY

DATE: 17/8/2021

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

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**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS.**

## QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain the relationship between law and sociology (6 marks)
- b) Outline the sources of law (8 marks)
- c) Explain the functions of law (10 marks)
- d) Discuss the concept of sociological jurisprudence (6 marks)

## QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Using appropriate examples, analyze the characteristics of a law (10 marks)
- b) “Kenya is a coercive state”. Illuminate this statement (10 marks)

## QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the dysfunctions of law in the Kenyan context. (10 marks)
- b) Citing relevant examples, analyze the conflict theoretical perspective of law. (10 marks)

## QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe factors that influence the development of delinquency in youth. Cite relevant examples (10 marks)
- b) Critically examine the role of law in social change in Kenya (10 marks)

## QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Rousseau idealizes pre-societal human life, while Thomas Hobbes suggests that it was harsh and unpleasant. Why do these two thinkers have such contrasting views? Who do you agree with, and why?