



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES

APRIL SESSION EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

AEN 403: SOCIOLINGUISTICS

DATE: 21/7/2021

TIME: 11.00-1.00 PM

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## INSTRUCTIONS:

*Answer Question One (Compulsory) and Any Other Two Questions,*

### QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Giving examples explain the following sociolinguistic concepts: *dialect, idiolect, Lingua franca, Diglossia, Bilingualism, Multilingualism, language maintenance, language shift, language death, register* (20 marks)
- b) With relevant examples discuss pidginization and creolization (10 marks)

### QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) With relevant examples explain **three** factors that influence language planning (9 marks)
- b) Using Kenya as reference point, discuss the various forms of code switching and code mixing. (11 marks)

### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Explain the relationship between society and language.

### QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

The concept of speech communities has several definitions. Explain any five.

### QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Explain **five** criteria used by Bell (1976) to discuss different kinds of languages.