MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTSIN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

APP 103:   INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC POLICY

DATE: 18/6/2021   **TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM**

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS.

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

a)   Using relevant examples, briefly examine the subject matter policy (meaning) and how it applies in modern decision making. (10 marks)

b)   As a consultant in public policy, examine five policy areas that you shall conceptualize policy development for your clients (10 marks)

c)   Using examples, discuss any five classifications of public policies found in contemporary African governance setting. (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Critically examine the key elements of a good policy analysis that every county government in Kenya should consider.

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

a)   Using relevant examples, discuss how politics and public policy relate. (10 marks)

b)   'Public administration and policy analysis are inseparable'. Discuss. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

a)   Evaluate the attributes of policy analysis that must be inherent in any public policy process (10 marks)

b)   Political culture highly impacts on public policy process. Discuss. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Using relevant examples in Africa, discuss the following approaches to Policy Analysis.

    a) Descriptive
    b) Prescriptive
    c) Qualitative
    d) Micro-analytic