



GRE TSA UNIVERSITY - THIKA

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS JANUARY - APRIL 2021 SEMESTER

DIPLOMA IN SOCIAL WORK AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

COURSE CODE: DSWC 034

**COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENT AND
SOCIETY**

DATE: 11 MAY 2021

TIME: 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. SECTION A IS **COMPULSORY**.
2. SECTION B: ANSWER ANY OTHER **THREE** QUESTIONS.
3. **DO NOT** WRITE ANYTHING ON THIS QUESTION PAPER AS IT WILL BE AN EXAM IRREGULARITY.
4. ALL ROUGH WORK SHOULD BE AT THE BACK OF YOUR ANSWER BOOKLET AND CROSSED OUT.

CAUTION: All exam rooms are under CCTV surveillance during the examination period.

SECTION A: COMPULSORY

QUESTION ONE

- a) What is a public good? Provide examples to support your argument [5 Marks]
- b) How is the Polluter Pays Principle a significant concept in addressing societal pressures on environmental resources? [5 Marks]
- c) State and explain any five current pressing environmental issues that affect a society [10 Marks]
- d) Explain the Malthusian theory in relation to the exploitation of environmental resources [10 Marks]
- e) What is indigenous knowledge? How can a community apply indigenous knowledge in the conservation of natural resources? [10 Marks]

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

QUESTION TWO

- a) Environment and society are interdependent, comprehensively discuss. [15 Marks]
- b) Examine how poor waste management affect the social wellbeing of a community?[5 Marks]

QUESTION THREE

- a) Evaluate how an environmental law, policy, or regulation controls a community's usage of an ecological resource. Give specific examples. [5 Marks]
- b) Society is to blame for most environmental problems; in what ways do societal activities affect the environment? [15 Marks]

QUESTION FOUR

- a) How does technological advancement negatively impact the environment? [5 Marks]
- b) Elucidate the concept of sustainable development while highlighting its significance. Provide examples [15 Marks]

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Describe how the politics of a community influence the exploitation and conservation of environmental resources. Support your reasoning with specific examples. [5 Marks]
- b) You have recently been employed as a community environment officer. How will the community you work with participate in environmental conservation? [15 Marks]