

GRETSA UNIVERSITY - THIKA

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS JANUARY - APRIL 2021 SEMESTER

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

COURSE CODE: COMD 103

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY

DATE: 10 MAY 2021 TIME: 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

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) Is anthropological studies necessary in the world today? Discuss using suitable examples

 [10 Marks]
- b) Each community has its own cultural practices, using examples from the cultural practices of your community demonstrate the importance of culture in the society [10 Marks]
- c) Using examples, account for the significance of each of the four branches of anthropology [10 Marks]
- d) A family is the smallest social unit, discuss the distinguishing features of a family using examples from your family [10 Marks]

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS OUESTION TWO

- a) Why is anthropological genetics important in anthropological studies? Explain using suitable examples
 [10 Marks]
- b) In Traditional African Societies, chiefs and elders took charge of a community, discuss the role of chief and village elders in your community [10 Marks]

QUESTION THREE

- a) Most cultures of the world have religious beliefs that supernatural powers can be compelled to act in certain ways for good or evil purposes. Using suitable examples discuss forms and the use of magic in traditional African societies [10 Marks]
- b) Sociologists use different terms, like ecclesia, denomination, and sect, to define religious organizations. However these definitions are not static because most religions transition through different organizational phases. Discuss this statement using Christianity as an example
 [10 Marks]

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Using examples from your community, discuss the legal and socio-economic status of women in African traditional Society
 [10 Marks]
- b) The position and status of women in the current modern society is different from that of traditional African society, discuss the changes that have taken place [10 Marks]

OUESTION FIVE

As an anthropology student you have been invited to a conference whose theme is on tribalism in Kenya, using examples, write your speech on the following sub themes

- a) The causes of tribalism in Kenya [10 Marks]
- b) Give recommendations on what the Government of Kenya should do to address tribalism [10 Marks]

QUESTION SIX

The county Government of Kiambu has tasked you to gather information for anthropological studies, discuss any four techniques that you will use for this study and justify the choice of these techniques [20 Marks]