

GRETSA UNIVERSITY – THIKA

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS MAY - AUGUST 2023 SEMESTER

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

COURSE CODE: BCFI 404

COURSE TITLE: INTERNATIONAL FINANCE

DATE: 2 AUGUST 2023

TIME:8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. SECTION A IS **COMPULSORY.**
- 2. SECTION B: ANSWER ANY OTHER **THREE** QUESTIONS.
- 3. **<u>DO NOT</u>** 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) Describe fisher's equation highlighting its application, advantages and shortcomings.

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 b) Discuss why multinational corporations would choose foreign direct investment rather than alternatives modes such as licensing or exporting. [15 Marks]

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- c) Explain what you understand by Mundell-Fleming or trilemma theory [10 Marks]
- d) Define financial globalization discussing its positive and negative impacts on developing economies like Kenya's?
 [10 Marks]

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

Question Two

Define and demonstrate the significance of the following theories as they relate to international finance?

| a) | The comparative advantage theory | [5 Marks] |
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| b) | The absolute advantage theory | [5 Marks] |
| c) | The perfect Market theory | [5 Marks] |
| d) | The imperfect Market theory | [5 Marks] |

Question Three

International investors encounter numerous risks define and discuss how they manage they following risks?

| a) Credit risk | [5 Marks] |
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| b) Foreign exchange risk | [5 Marks] |
| c) Country risk | [5 Marks] |
| d) liquidity risk | [5 Marks] |
| Question Four | |
| Identify four major derivatives and clearly demonstrate how each works? | |
| a) 1 | [5 Marks] |
| b) 2 | [5 Marks] |

- c) 3 [5 Marks]
- d) 4 [5 Marks]

Question Five

| a) | Define International portfolio management? | [2 Marks] |
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| b) | What are the advantages of an international portfolio over a local one? | [8 Marks] |
| c) | What are the disadvantages of an international portfolio over a local one? | [5 Marks] |

d) Advice whether or not investing in an international portfolio investment is worthwhile. [5
Marks]