



MASENO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2015/2016

**SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE
OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN DEVELOPMENT STUDIES WITH
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

MAIN CAMPUS

**DDS 202: COMPARATIVE SOCIAL STRUCTURES AND
INSTITUTIONS**

Date: 6th January, 2016

Time: 11.00 - 1.00pm

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer **THREE** questions at least **ONE** from each section.



SECTION A

1. Employing examples, discuss the key characteristics of social structures (23.3 marks).
2. Discuss the social correlates of any **two** of the following societies (23.3 marks)
 - i. Hunting and gathering
 - ii. Pastoral
 - iii. Industrial

SECTION B

3. Critically examine the functions of the following social institutions and process in society (23.3 marks)
 - a) Religion
 - b) Education
4. Using examples, critically examine the changes in the family as a social institution in the post modern society (23.3 marks).

SECTION C

5. Discuss the implications of ethnicity on Kenya's development prospects (23.3 marks).
6. With specific reference to the work of Robert Chambers (1993), discuss the six biases that act as impediments to rural development (23.3 marks).