

# MASENO UNIVERSITY **UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2016/2017**

## FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ECONOMICS WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

### MAIN CAMPUS

### **AEC 413: ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS**

Date: I\* December, 2016

Time: 8.30 - 11.30am

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question ONE and any other THREE

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### **Question One**

a) Outline the criteria for environmental policy evaluation.

(8 Marks)

- b) Explain the following concepts;
  - i) Uniformly and non uniformly mixed pollutants. (3 Marks)
  - ii) Cumulative and non cumulative pollutants. (3 Marks)
- c) Using suitable illustration, describe any four types of externalities.

(6 Marks)

d) The amount of emission from an industrial plant is  $Q = 10K^{0.25}L^{0.75}$ . If 10 units of labour 5 units of capital cost them 100 units, calculate the minimized amount of total emission. (5 Marks)

### **Question Two**

As a policy analyst, describe the process of designing an environmental policy to curb the pollution problem. (15 Marks)

### **Question Three**

Using a well labeled diagram, illustrate the primary linkages among economic activity, human welfare and the environment.

--(1-5-Marks)

#### **Question Four**

"There are a wide variety of types of regulations that are employed to control pollution." Discuss (15 Marks)

#### **Question Five**

a) Using a suitable diagram, explain the level of emission that a plant would choose when faced with strict liability rule.

(8 Marks)

b) Explain the types of environmental standards under command and policies, [7 Marks]