



**MASENO UNIVERSITY**  
**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2013/2014**

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE  
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN URBAN AND REGIONAL  
PLANNING WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(CITY CAMPUS - DAY)

**PUR 121: PLANNING THEORY**

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2014

Time: 9.00 - 11.00 a.m.

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**PUR 121: PLANNING THEORY (KISUMU CAMPUS)**

1 (a) Define the term Theory (5 marks)

(b) Describe and briefly explain the purpose of theory in relation to the planning profession. (5 marks)

(c) Discuss the concept 'elements of public interest' in relation to the planning profession (20 marks).

2 (a) Explain the meaning and use of the Rational Comprehensive model in the Planning process (10 marks)

(b) What are the criticisms labeled against the Rational comprehensive model of planning mentioned in (a) above. (10 marks)

3 Explain the use of any two of the following approaches in the planning process

(a) Rational incrementalism (10 marks)

(b) Advocacy planning (10 marks)

(c) Corporate Planning (10 marks)

4 The history of planning can be traced to the era and ills of the industrial revolution. Discuss (20 marks)

5 Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of Lindblom's theory of muddling through. (20 marks).

6 Explain the preconditions necessary before engaging the communicative model of planning (20 marks)