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SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS
BACHELOR OF AGRIBUSINESS
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COURSE CODE: ECO 2205

**COURSE TITLE: ECONOMICS OF MONEY AND
BANKING**

DATE: 11TH DECEMBER, 2018

TIME: 0830 - 1030 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question **ONE** and any other **THREE** questions

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QUESTION ONE

- a). The income elasticity of money demand is $\frac{2}{3}$ and the interest elasticity of money demand is -0.1. Real income is expected to grow by 4.5% over the next year, and the real interest rate is expected to remain constant over the next year. The rate of inflation has been zero for several years.
- i. If the central bank wants zero inflation over the next year, find what growth rate of the nominal money supply it should choose. **(4 marks)**
 - ii. Calculate how much velocity will change over the next year if the central bank follows the policy that achieves zero inflation. **(3marks)**
- b) i. Define the concept money. **(3marks)**
ii. How does economist's use of this differ from its everyday meaning? **(3marks)**
- c) Explain the objectives of money in less developed economies. Use examples and illustrations **(5marks)**
- d) Differentiate between barter transaction and money transaction systems. **(4marks)**
- e) Discuss the role of velocity in the quantity theory of money. **(3marks)**

QUESTION TWO

- a) Explain factors responsible for banking crises in third world economies. **(3marks)**
- b) Explain the neutrality of money concept. **(3marks)**
- c) Discuss three major policy instruments adopted by central bank to control money supply. **(3marks)**
- d) Explain the evolution of money policy in developing economies. **(3marks)**
- e) Discuss the components of money. **(3marks)**

QUESTION THREE

- a) Use examples and illustrations to explain the process of credit creation in banks. **(4marks)**
- b) Discuss the macro-economic variables that affect the aggregate demand for demand. **(4 marks)**
- c) Explain the relationship between the price level and the nominal money supply when all markets are in equilibrium. **(4 marks)**
- d) Discuss how actions of the public and banks can cause the money multiplier to rise or fall. **(3marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

a) Explain the role of financial intermediaries in less developed economies.

(4marks)

b) When the real interest rate increases, banks have an incentive to lend a greater portion of their deposits, which reduces reserve-deposit ratio. In particular, suppose that

$$\text{res} = 0.4 - 2r$$

Where res is the reserve-deposit and r is the real interest rate. The currency-deposit ratio is 0.4. the price level is fixed at 1.0 and the monetary base is 60.

The real quantity of money demanded is $L(Y,i) = 0.5Y - 10i$,

Where Y is real output and i is the nominal interest rates. Assume that expected inflation is zero so that the nominal interest rate and real interest rate are equal.

If $r = i = 0.10$

Find:

- i. The reserve-deposit ratio. **(2marks)**
 - ii. The money multiplier **(2marks)**
 - iii. The money supply **(2marks)**
 - iv. What real output Y clears the asset market. **(2marks)**
- c) Describe the characteristics necessary for use of any commodity mark over a long period. **(3 marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

a) Explain how interest rates are determined under the following approaches

- i. Classical **(3marks)**
- ii. Keynesian. **(3marks)**

b) Explain the following concepts as used in economics of money and banking

- i. Monetary transmission mechanism **(2marks)**
 - ii. Intermediate target **(1mark)**
 - iii. Fractional reserve banking **(2marks)**
 - iv. High powered money **(1mark)**
 - v. Liquidity trap **(1mark)**
- c) Explain three functions of money. **(2marks)**

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