



(Knowledge for development) KIBABII UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS

COURSE CODE:

GEO 421

COURSE TITLE:

CLIMATOLOGY

DATE: 19TH October, 2018

TIME: 8:00AM – 10:00AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. Answer Question ONE (Q1) Compulsory
- 2. Answer any other TWO (2) Questions
- 3. Use illustration where appropriate

This paper consists of 2 printed pages. Please Turn Over.

Page 1 of 2

GEO 421

QUESTION ONE

a. Explain the following atmospheric terminologies as applied in climate studies:

i. Adiabatic lapse rate (4 marks)

ii. Coriolis effect (5 marks)

iii. Advection (4 marks)

b. Distinguish between the following terms:

i. Aridity and drought (4 marks)

ii. Dew and rainfall (4 marks)

c. Describe the troposphere as a layer of the atmosphere (9 marks)

QUESTION TWO

Discuss the potential impacts of climate change on pastoralism in Sub-Saharan Africa.

(20 marks)

QUESTION THREE

Discuss the different adaptation techniques Sub-Saharan African states can put in place in order to cope with the effects of global climate change. (20 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

a. Define climate classification and explain the two methods involved in it. (8 marks)

b. Explain the four factors used in classifying climates (12 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

a. Examine any three causes of climatic seasons (6 marks)

b. Describe the process of greenhouse effect and global warming over the earth's troposphere.

(14 marks)