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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2015/2016 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER FOR THE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

COURSE CODE: HRM 805

COURSE TITLE: EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

DATE: 9th MAY 2016

TIME: 2.00PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer QUESTION ONE and any other THREE questions

QUESTION ONE

A recognition agreement is a document which defines the relationship between employers and employees, and gives rights and privileges to each party to engage into any meaningful negotiation.

(a) Outline the main components of a Recognition Agreement. (10 marks)

(b) Describe the main features of Collective Bargaining. (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO

(a) Explain the distinction between employee relations and industrial relations.

(6 marks)

(b) Discuss the significant of good industrial relations to economic development of Kenya.

(14 marks)

QUESTION THREE

(a) Distinguish between Unitary and Pluralist approaches to the study of industrial relations. (6 marks)

(b) State the case for and against workers participation in management.

(14 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

(a) Differentiate between 'strike' and 'lockout'.

(4 marks)

(b) Define the term 'grievance' and state its main characteristics.

(8 marks)

(c) Explain the grievance handling procedure.

(8 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

(a) Discuss existing machinery for the settlement of industrial disputes in Kenya

(15 marks)

(b) Outline the reasons why employees join a trade union

(5 Marks)