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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR

FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

MAIN EXAMINATION

REGULAR PROGRAMME

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS

COURSE CODE: GEO 309

COURSE TITLE: URBAN GEOGRAPHY

DATE: OCTOBER 1, 2021

TIME: 9 – 11 AM

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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

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QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY)

- a. Define the following terms as applied in urban studies:
 - i. Mega city (2 marks)
 - ii. Hamlet (2 marks)
 - iii. Municipality (2 marks)
 - b. Explain the three concerns of urban geography (6 marks)
 - c. Highlight any six characteristics of ancient cities (6 marks)
 - d. Explain the contribution of the transport sector in urban pollution. (12 marks)
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2. Discuss five main environmental challenges facing inhabitants of informal urban settlements in Africa and suggest a solution for each case. (20 marks)
 3. Examine the influence of geophysical factors in urbanization of Africa. (20 marks)
 4. Identify ONE mega infrastructural project in Eastern Africa and discuss its role in urbanization of the region. (20 marks)
 5. Examine the following as solutions to rural – urban migration in Kenya:
 - a. Rural electrification (10 marks)
 - b. Rural roads development (10 marks)