



# MASENO UNIVERSITY

## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2011/2012

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR  
THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN URBAN  
ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING & MANAGEMENT  
(CITY CAMPUS)

### **SES 804: URBAN HOUSING PLANNING & MANAGEMENT**

*Date: 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2012*

*Time: 9.00 – 12.00 noon*

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#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- ◆ Answer ANY FOUR questions.

1. Analyze the causes of urban homelessness giving its scale and trends in Kenya. (15 mks)
2. Elucidate the features of the housing environment that have direct and indirect effects on the health of the occupants. (15 mks)
3. With special reference to sustainable development, explain the new directions in settlements planning as promoted by the Earth Summit, Agenda 21. (15 mks)
4. Analyze factors that influence urban housing demand and supply. (15 mks)
5. Write short notes on construction industry and:
  - a) Deterioration of physical environment. (5 mks)
  - b) Atmospheric pollution. (5 mks)
  - c) Depletion of non-renewable resources. (5 mks)
6. Besides their limited capacity to pay for housing, low-income households face other constraints in their efforts to seek better quality accommodation. Identify and explain these constraints. (15 mks)