



MASENO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2015/2016

**FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN GENDER STUDIES WITH INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY**

MAIN CAMPUS

IGS 101: INTRODUCTION TO GENDER STUDIES

Date: 6th January, 2016

Time: 8.30 - 10.30am

- **Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions.**



QUESTION 1 COMPULSORY

- a) Explain why it is important to study gender in the development process in Kenya. 4mks
- b) Discuss three reasons why women are often the main focus of gender studies. 6mks
- c) Using an example in each case, describe the following concepts: 12mks
- i. Gender mainstreaming
 - ii. Affirmative action
 - iii. Gender blindness
 - iv. Gender awareness
 - v. Gender equality
 - vi. Gender Stereotyping
- d) Justify the inclusion of masculinity studies in the field of gender studies 4mks
- e) Explain any two criticisms of the Women In Development (WID) Approach to gender equality. 6mks

Answer any **TWO** questions

QUESTION 2

Describe any one theory of gender differentiation, and explain its strengths and weaknesses. 20 mks

QUESTION 3

With reference to religious, cultural and geographical variations, discuss the differing gender roles in Kenyan society today. 20mks

QUESTION 4

Citing relevant examples, explain the four sources of gender role learning. 20 mks

QUESTION 5

Discuss the reasons why Black women were unable to identify with the feminist movement of the Pioneer feminist theorists in the late 1800s and early 1900s, and discuss how the adoption of the Nineteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution changed their perceptions 20 mks