



**MASENO UNIVERSITY**  
**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2016/2017**

**FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE  
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIOLOGY WITH  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**ASO 101: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY**

Date: 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2016

Time: 3.30 - 6.30 pm

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer ANY THREE questions.



**ASO 101: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY**  
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1. a) Define the term social science? (3.3 marks)  
b) Examine the arguments presented in support of and against sociology as a science. (20 marks)
2. Describe the contribution of Auguste Comte in the development of sociology as a social science. (23.3marks)
3. Describe the elements and principles of social structure. (23.3 marks)
4. Describe how the process of socialization occurs. Use examples from a community of your choice. (23.3 marks)
5. a) Distinguish between material and non-material culture. (5.3 marks)  
b) Explain the functions that culture serves for human society. (19 marks)
6. a) Identify any four functions of the institution of family. (10marks)  
b) Discuss the causes of change in the African family. (13.3 marks)