



**MASENO UNIVERSITY**  
**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2015/2016**

**FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE  
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN URBAN AND REGIONAL  
PLANNING WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**CITY CAMPUS**

**PUR 417: REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2016

Time: 2.00 - 4.00pm

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INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Answer Question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO Questions.**



1. (a) Briefly discuss the main regional development challenges in Kenya since colonial rule (15 marks)

(b) Describe **any five** instruments employed by the Kenyan Government to tackle the regional development challenges named in (a) above. (15 marks)

2. Explain Friedman's criteria of classifying economic 'regions'. (20 marks)

3. Discuss Perroux's assertion that development does not occur the same way everywhere but through 'differentiation'. (20 marks)

4. Explain how the following factors can be manipulated to reduce disparities between the core and the periphery.

(a) Migration (5 marks)

(b) Capital (5 marks)

(c) Innovation (5 marks)

(d) Political control (5 marks)

5. Describe the use of the following tools in regional development analysis

(a) The threshold analysis (10 marks)

(b) Sensitivity analysis.(10 marks)

6 Explain how the central place theory aids in the understanding of the evolution of core areas at the regional level.(20 marks)