



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR
FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & ECONOMICS
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ECONOMICS**

COURSE CODE: ECO 1206-1

COURSE TITLE: FOOD POLICY

DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Answer Question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions

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QUESTION ONE

- a) Discuss various strategies for addressing the African food battles. **(6 Marks)**
- b) Explain the role of marketing boards in food and agricultural production. **(5 Marks)**
- c) Explain the modes for exploiting food production potential in a country. **(4 Marks)**
- d) Evaluate five emerging issues for food and nutrition security in Kenya. **(5 Marks)**

QUESTION TWO

Discuss the merits and demerits of the following policy instruments while explaining their levels of imposition.

- i. Excise taxes **(3 Marks)**
- ii. Food subsidies to consumers **(3 Marks)**
- iii. Non-tariff barriers **(3 Marks)**
- iv. Land reform measures **(3 Marks)**
- v. Import quotas **(3 Marks)**

QUESTION THREE

- a) Discuss the following mechanisms used in food price support programs stating the merits and demerits of each.
- i. Limiting production or sales **(6 Marks)**
- ii. Government purchases **(6 Marks)**
- b) Explain the components of food security equation. **(3 Marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Using a relevant diagram, explain the effects of a tariff on domestic production, consumption and imports of agricultural food products. **(7 Marks)**
- b) Discuss the following national food and nutritional policies.
- i. Production policy **(4 Marks)**
- ii. Marketing policy **(4 Marks)**

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