

## **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

# REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

### SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCES, ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES AND AGRICULTURE

**COURSE CODE: NDTW 110** 

**COURSE TITLE: COMMUNICATION SKILLS** 

DATE: 26/4/2024 TIME: 1430-1630 HRS

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

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#### **QUESTION ONE**

- a.) Describe the process of active listening and explain its importance in effective communication. (10 marks)
- b.) Discuss the role of referencing in academic writing, including why it is important and the consequences of inadequate or improper referencing.

  (10 marks)
- c.) Compare and contrast different classification systems used in libraries, highlighting their advantages and limitations. (10 marks)

#### **QUESTION TWO**

Explain the difference between skimming and scanning as reading strategies, and discuss when each strategy would be most appropriate. (20 marks)

#### **QUESTION THREE**

Discuss the significance of critical thinking in the context of academic study and provide examples of how critical thinking can be applied in different subject areas. (20 marks)

#### **QUESTION FOUR**

Develop a study plan for preparing for a comprehensive final exam in a chosen subject, including strategies for managing time effectively and reviewing course material. (20 marks)

#### **QUESTION FIVE**

Write an argumentative essay presenting your perspective on the causes and consequences of climate change (20 marks)

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