

## **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

### REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

# SCHOOL OF TOURISM AND NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES (BIOLOGY AND HEALTH)

COURSE CODE: EBH 304 COURSE TITLE: ENVIRONMENTAL EPIDEMIOLOGY

DATE: 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2018 TIME: 1100 - 1300HRS

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer ALL questions in section A and any other THREE in section B.

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#### PART A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS (25mks)

1. a) List any five important characteristics of human social systems.

(5 marks)

b) Differentiate between ecosystem and biodiversity. (5 marks)

c) Illustrate how to calculate the following epidemiological measures.

i) Incidence

(2 marks)

ii) Prevalence

(2 marks)

iii) Mortality rate

(2 marks)

d) Briefly explain four major categories of water-related illnesses.

(4 marks)

e) Give the preventive and curative measures to reduce sources of infection during outbreak control. (5 marks)

#### PART B: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS (45mks)

- 2. Infection transmission can take place via many potential routes. Describe the infection routes. (15 marks)
- 3. A traditional model of infectious disease causation is known as the Epidemiologic Triad. With a relevant example, discuss the components of the Triad. (15 marks)
- 4. Describe the measures for controlling communicable diseases and epidemics. (15 marks)
- 5. Several uses of epidemiology have been described. Explain the application of epidemiology in healthcare. (15 marks)

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