



# **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS  
2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR  
FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES  
MASTER OF ARTS  
(PUBLIC POLICY & ADMINISTRATION)**

**COURSE CODE: PSA 8211**

**COURSE TITLE: CONFLICT MANAGEMENT  
& SOCIAL CONTROL IN  
AFRICA**

**DATE: 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2018**

**TIME: 2.30 – 5.30 PM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

*Answer ONLY FOUR Questions, Total 60 Marks*

1. Land disputes are said to be the root causes of African conflicts:
  - a) Using pertinent examples discuss the relevance of the above statement.
  - b) Show how these conflicts can be addressed and peace established.
2. "Historically, environmental resources have often been an indicator of the wealth of those being in a position to utilize them."
  - a) Discuss how Africa with its abundant resources is still languishing in poverty and conflicts.
  - b) As a student of peace what mechanisms would you suggest that would end conflicts in Africa.
3. With reference to two conflict prone countries of your choice.
  - a) Explain in detail the causes and extent of conflicts in each country.
  - b) As a team leader in mediation for **each country** clearly explain the approaches you would use to create a culture of peace.
4. Explain any two theories that can explain the causes of environmental insecurity in Africa.
5. The issue of African countries plagued by conflicts feature high on the bilateral agenda of powerful countries in the UN. Discuss.
6. Discuss the role of natural resources and environmental management in African Security and Peace building.
7. "Conflict situations are essentially situations in which parties hold divergent or incompatible goals which motivate their behaviour. These incompatible goals define the range of issues in conflict. Discuss.
8. Kenya has recently experienced a plethora of conflicts.
  - (a) Using "GREED" and "GREVIANCE" typology explain by using specific examples the nature and the underpinning causes of these conflicts.
  - (b) Provide a highlight on how conflicts in Kenya should be address.

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