



# **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

## **REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

**2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR  
FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF EDUCATION  
MASTER OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL  
NEEDS EDUCATION)**

**COURSE CODE: PSY 8102C  
COURSE TITLE: EDUCATIONAL  
STATISTICS**

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## **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

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

### **QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) 15 MARKS**

- a) Differentiate between the following terms;  
i) Null and alternative hypotheses  
ii) One tailed and two tailed tests  
iii) Type one (I) and type two (II) errors  
iv) Positive and negative correlations  
v) Point and interval estimators **(5 marks)**
- b) Identify steps followed in statistical hypothesis testing **(5 marks)**
- c) Given the following data of scores derived from an English test,

CLASS INTERVAL	FREQUENCY
33-35	2
30-32	4
27-29	4
24-26	8
21-23	8
18-20	5
15-17	2
12-14	1

- a) Compute mode, median, mean, variance and standard deviation for the above data **(5 marks)**

### **QUESTION TWO (15 MARKS)**

- a) State the level (or scale) of measurement in the following  
i) Students' scores in a physics test  
ii) Classification of Maasai Mara University students on graduation day  
iii) Number of hours high school students' study per week  
iv) Ranking of school management by principals designated as excellent, best, satisfactory and worse  
v) Marks given by two supervisors to a postgraduate student **(5 marks)**

Given below is a set of 80 scores obtained on a form 3 Chemistry test.

73	50	77	81	58	62	68	84	55	46
47	94	69	68	47	51	78	62	55	53
79	81	86	78	88	55	69	53	58	87
82	65	68	71	50	76	74	53	56	71
77	50	65	79	70	40	69	97	45	68

59	85	80	74	42	61	73	57	64	50
62	79	75	91	68	50	64	44	64	76
91	69	59	68	50	68	66	55	50	70

- (a) Prepare a complete grouped frequency distribution table for the above data, which should have seven columns (class, tally marks, frequency, and midpoints, less than cumulative frequency and more than cumulative frequency. Take a class –interval of size 5, width 40 – 44 as the lowest class-interval. **(10 marks)**

**QUESTION THREE (15 MARKS)**

- (a) With examples, explain the meaning of the following statistical concepts;  
 i) Standardization  
 ii) Normalization  
 iii) Standard score  
 iv) Percentile rank  
 v) Z-score **(5 marks)**
- (b) Given a mean of 40 and a standard deviation of 16, complete the following table:

X	Z	T-score	Stanine
10			
26			
38			
42			
44			

**(10 marks)**

**QUESTION FOUR (15 MARKS)**

Given below are scores obtained by twelve (12) forms 2 students on two tests in Mathematics and Physics.

Student	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
Mathematics	72	70	69	66	63	60	60	59	57	55	52	49
Physics	40	35	33	27	29	31	30	26	28	34	25	22

- (a) (i) Calculate the Pearson product – moment correlation coefficient (r<sub>xy</sub>) for the above data. **(8 marks)**  
 (ii) Interpret the obtained value (r<sub>xy</sub>) **(2 marks)**
- (c) Give TWO assumptions of Pearson product –moment correlation coefficient, r<sub>xy</sub>. **(2 marks)**
- (d) Interpret the results and make the decision to whether to accept or reject the null hypothesis at 0.05 level of significance **(3 marks)**

**QUESTION FIVE (15 MARKS)**

The following table shows the “A” level psychology results of students from two colleges distributed in the A, B and C grades.

Grades	A	B	C	Row totals
College X	7	41	15	63
College Y	8	42	46	96
Column totals	15	83	61	159 Grand Total

- a) State the null hypothesis for this data **(2 mark)**
- b) Work out the Chi Square ( $\chi^2$ ) for the above data to test the null hypothesis **(10 marks)**
- c) Interpret the results and make the decision to whether to accept or reject the null hypothesis at 0.05 level of significance **(3 marks)**

**QUESTION SEVEN (15 MARKS)**

A researcher is interested to find out whether time spent studying in the library improves performance in the end semester examination among ten (10) first year university students. The table below shows the data obtained;

SUBJECT	STUDY TIME (Average hours per semester)	EXAMINATION SCORES (out of 100%)
A	40	58
B	43	73
C	18	56
D	10	47
E	25	58
F	33	54
G	27	45
H	17	32
I	30	68
J	47	69

- (a) (i) Calculate the Spearman rank order correlation coefficient (rho) for the above data. **(8 marks)**
- (ii) Interpret the obtained value (r<sub>xy</sub>) **(2 marks)**
- (b) Give TWO assumptions of Spearman rank order correlation coefficient (rho) **(2 marks)**
- (c) Interpret the results and make the decision to whether to accept or reject the null hypothesis at 0.05 level of significance **(3 marks)**

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