



MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MMUST)

MAIN CAMPUS

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR

MAIN EXAMS

FOR FIRST YEAR SECOND TRIMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN OPTOMETRY AND VISION SCIENCE

COURSE CODE:

MOV 823

COURSE TITLE:

NEUROPHYSIOLOGY AND PSYCHOPHYSICS

OF VISION

DATE: 25/04/2022

TIME: 8-11AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES: ANSWER ALL QUESTION

TIME: 3 Hours

MMUST observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating

ESSAY QUESTIONS: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS (70 MARKS)

QUESTION ONE:

Using a well labelled diagram describe the visual pathway of human visual system (20

marks)

QUESTION TWO:

Psychophysical experiments show that the human visual system manifests greater spatial

summation under dark-adapted conditions than under light adapted conditions. How could the

receptive fields of ganglion cells change to account for this psychophysical finding? (15 marks)

QUESTION THREE:

Isoluminant gratings are thought by some investigators to "silence" the magno pathway. Because

all the bars are of equal luminance, the grating is thought not to activate magno neurons. Present

an argument against this hypothesis. (15 marks)

QUESTION FOUR:

Attempt an exhaustive discussion of the stages of visual development in an infant. Highlight in

your discussion the different aspect of visual function that changes to enable the development of

an infant's eye to the level of function in an adult (20 marks)

THE END