

MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MMUST)

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FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

FOR THE BACHELOR

OF

SOCIAL WORK

COURSE CODE: SSW 104

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL POLICY

DATE: 27/5/2019 **TIME**: 12:00-2:00PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer question one (compulsory) and any other two questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)

- **a.** As an academic subject, social policy gained prominence when the rapid expansion of key public services prompted interest in the emerging 'welfare state'. On this grounding ventilate the reasons to study a social policy and key principles of social policy relevant to affirmative action (15 marks)
- **b.** Discuss the sources of social policies (10 marks)
- c. Give examples of social policies that impact on human welfare (5 marks)

QUESTION TWO

The policy-making process is ongoing and generally without a definitive beginning or end, political science scholar Susan J. Buck explains. However, those involved in the process do tend to follow a general procedure, broken down into phases. With examples critically examine these steps

(20 marks)

QUESTION THREE

Social policy is a cornerstone in social work. As a social scientist, clarify on essential themes that justify social policy as a key area in social work (20 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

You have been invited as a guest speaker on the International Social Workers day. Your facilitation topic is 'Social policy debate, redistributive policies and characteristics of social policies'. Develop key notes (20 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a. Describe ways in which social class and stratification impact on social policy (10 marks)
- **b.** Discuss the contributions of the religion sector on social policy in Africa (10 marks)