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SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES**

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR THE MASTERS IN PUBLIC HEALTH  
(BIOSTATISTICS & EPIDEMIOLOGY)**

**1<sup>st</sup> YEAR SEMESTER TWO 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR  
KISUMU CAMPUS**

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**COURSE CODE: HES 5123**

**COURSE TITLE: ADVANCED BIostatISTICS**

**EXAM VENUE: STREAM**

**DATE: 11/12/19**

**EXAM SESSION: 9.00 – 12.00 NOON**

**TIME: 3 HOURS**

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**Instructions:**

- 1. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper**
- 2. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room**

**SECTION A: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS (SAQs) (30 MARKS)**

**INSTRUCTIONS :**

- a) There are **TEN (10)** questions in the section.
- b) Answer **ALL** the TEN questions in this section.

**QUESTIONS**

**QUESTION ONE**

Briefly explain why it is important to study demography (2 Marks)

**QUESTION TWO**

Explain three major factors that affect analysis of secular death trends (2 Marks)

**QUESTION THREE**

State three elements that are included in vital registration systems (2 Marks)

**QUESTION FOUR**

Differentiate between vital registration systems in low income and high income countries (2 Marks)

**QUESTION FIVE**

Define the following terms : (a) fertility (b) fecundity (c) parity (2 Marks)

**QUESTION SIX**

Define Crude Death Rate (2 Marks)

**QUESTION SEVEN**

Briefly explain what is meant by General Fertility Rate in a population: (2 Marks)

**QUESTION EIGHT**

State one measure that can be used in measuring mortality rate in a population (3 Marks)

**QUESTION NINE**

Define Maternal Mortality Rate and indicate how it can be calculated (3 Marks)

**SECTION B: LONG ESSAY QUESTIONS (LEQs) (40 MARKS)**

**INSTRUCTIONS :**

- a) There are **THREE (3)** questions in this section
- b) Answer questions ONE and any other (2) questions in this section
- c) Question 1 has 20 marks. Other questions have 10 marks each.

**QUESTIONS ONE**

Discuss the use of census and vital registration in low and high income countries (20 Marks)

**QUESTION TWO**

Discuss demographic changes that affect health in populations (10 Marks)

**QUESTION THREE**

Discuss how demographic transition affects population health **(10 Marks)**

**QUESTION FOUR**

Discuss differences on mortalités by income levels.

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