



**JARAMOGI OGINGA ODINGA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

**2013/2014 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**FIRST YEAR, SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA IN  
BUILDING AND CIVIL ENGINEERING**

**TBC- 2123 ENGINEERING GEOLOGY**

**August 2013**

**TIME: 1.5 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

**This paper consists of 5 questions**

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

### QUESTION ONE

- a) In reference to profession of Building and Civil Engineering, discuss the relevance of knowledge of geology.  
( 8 Marks)
- b) Explain the areas of focus of the following aspects of geological studies
- i. Geotechnics
  - ii. Petrology
  - iii. Palaeontology
- (6 Marks)
- c) State the hierarchy of geologic time scale  
( 4 Marks)
- d) State nature of the THREE layers of Earth's interior  
( 6 Marks)
- e) State any THREE reasons for carrying out site investigation  
(6Marks)

### QUESTION TWO

- a) Distinguish between intrusive and extrusive rocks  
(4 Marks )
- b) Compare and contrast TWO physical features of Igneous and Sedimentary rocks  
(5 Marks)
- c) Giving TWO examples explain the formation process of metamorphic rocks.  
( 6 Marks)

### QUESTION THREE

- a) Distinguish between mineral and a rock and list TWO types of each.  
( 7 marks)
- b) Distinguish between the following physical properties of minerals.
- i. Colour and streak
  - ii. Cleavage and hardness
- ( 8 Marks)

### QUESTION FOUR

- (a) Define the following terms as applied in structural geology
- i. Bedding
  - ii. Outcrop
- (5 Marks)
- (b) List TWO types of folds  
(2 Marks)
- (c) State any FOUR features that may help you recognize a fault in the field.  
( 8 Marks)

### QUESTION FIVE

Discuss any TWO surface and any TWO subsurface methods for carrying out site investigation  
(15 Marks )