

# JARAMOGI OGINGA ODINGA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL OF BIOLOGICAL AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES

## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR SCIENCE IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE

### 4<sup>TH</sup> YEAR 2<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER 2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR

#### **MAIN CAMPUS - REGULAR**

COURSE CODE: SBI 3443

COURSE TITLE: PARASITOLOGY

EXAM VENUE: BIO LAB STREAM: (BIO)

DATE: 01/05/2019 EXAM SESSION: 12.00-2.00PM

**TIME: 2 HOURS** 

#### **Instructions:**

- 1. Answer ALL questions in Section A and Any two questions in Section B
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on question paper
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room

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

- 1. Describe diversity of trypansoma species and their hosts. (3 marks)
- 2. With specific examples, explain how microbiota influences parasite virulence. (3 marks)
- 3. Giving specific example, explain the role of cell surface decorations in parasitic evasion of host immunity. (3 marks)
- 4. Explain how parasites abrogates the complement system. (3 marks)
- 5. Name three species of Leishmania and the diseases associated with them. (3 marks)
- 6. Giving examples, explain how parasites disrupt host physical barriers and soluble immune mediators. (3 marks)
- 7. Explain how genetic variation of the parasite influences the outcome of diseases.

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- 8. Using specific examples, explain why laboratory specimens to be collected for diagnosis depends on the parasite route of infection. (3 marks)
- 9. State three strategies used in control of vector-borne parasites. (3marks)
- 10. Explain the role of innate immunity in control of parasitic infections. (3 marks)

#### **SECTION B: ESSAY QUESTIONS (40 MARKS)**

- 11. Describe the life cycle of Plasmodium *falciparum* parasites and how the parasite evade both human and vector immune systems. (20 marks)
- 12. Giving specific examples, describe immunopathologies associated with parasitic infections in vertebrates. (20 marks)
- 13. Describe immune response to schistosomiasis and immune evasion by *Schistosoma mansoni*. (20 marks)
- 14. With specific emphasis on trypanosomes, describe host-parasite interactions. (20 marks)