



SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

**END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

MAY -AUGUST 2025 TRIMESTER

CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

DEPARTMENT: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

COURSE CODE: CDC 215

COURSE TITLE: URBAN SOCIOLOGY

EXAM DATE:

DURATION: 3 HOURS

TIME: 5:30 PM-8:30 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- **Answer any TWO questions**
- *ALL PAC University's examination rules and regulations apply*

Question One

- a) As a community development practitioner, using relevant examples, discuss **FIVE** reasons why the urban informal economy is important for the people living in urban areas. (10 marks)
- b) In comparison to families in rural areas, discuss **FIVE** characteristics of families in the urban environment.

(10 marks)

Question Two

- a) Using relevant examples, discuss **FIVE** challenges of the urban informal economy in Nairobi. (10 marks)
- b) Nairobi, like many cities in developing countries, faces rapid urbanisation. Discuss **FIVE** challenges that arise in Nairobi due to rapid urbanisation.

(10 marks)

Question Three

- a) In reference to an urban area of your choice, discuss **FIVE** ways in which urban policies and strategies affect the change and development of an urban area. (10 marks)
- b) You have been contracted as a consultant for a slum upgrading programme. With reference to an urban area of your choice, and using your knowledge of urban sociology, advice on **FIVE** issues to consider in the planning process. (10 marks)