



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2012/2013

SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS
(COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)

ASC/CD/505: GENDER AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

DATE: THURSDAY, 4TH APRIL 2013

TIME: 5.30P.M -8.30 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer question **ONE** and any other **THREE** questions.

1. a) In view of community development work, is it possible for patriarchy to be abolished in order to bridge the gender gap. Discuss (10 marks)
 b) To what extent would you say that community development has contributed to the narrowing of the gender-gap in post- modern society?(10 marks)
- 2 Critically assess the symbolic interactionists view that gender is created and influenced by culture. (13.3 marks)
3. a) To what extent do you agree with the theoretical thinking that there exist many varieties of 'maleness' and 'masculinity' in society today? (7 marks)
 b) In your view, how can these perceptions influence community development practice? (6.3 marks)
4. Discuss the approaches that community development workers can apply to make gender equality issues visible in the Kenya mainstream society. (13.3 marks)

- 5 Critically discuss the statement that 'the expectations of, and challenges to masculinity in contemporary society contributes greatly to distinct health problems that are experienced by men in Kenya today. Give examples to explain your answer. (13.3 marks)
6. What role should a community development worker play to reduce gender-norm transgressions or gender- role stereotypes that reduce women's political participation in Kenya today. (13.3 marks)