



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2017/2018

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF EXECUTIVE MASTER OF
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
BBE 881: ECONOMICS FOR MANAGERIAL DECISION

DATE: Monday 5th February 2018

TIME: 5.30p.m -8.30p.m

INSTRUCTIONS:

Attempt any 3 questions

1. a) Using the shareholders wealth maximization model explain how the following decisions will affect the value of a business.
 - i) Globalization of business operation (4 marks)
 - ii) Adoption of advanced technology in production (4 marks)
 - iii) Employment of skilled workers (4 marks)
 - iv) Replacing borrowing with internal financing of business capital investments (4 marks)
 - v) Aggressive advertisement that result in increased sales. (4 marks)
2. a) The demand function of a product is given by $Q_d = 300 - 30p$
The supply function is given by $Q_s = 100 - 20p$
Determine:
 - i) The equilibrium price and quantity (6 marks)
 - ii) Point elasticity at the equilibrium point and interpret it. (4 marks)
- b) Discuss the factors that affect the demand for a product or a service. (10 marks)

3. a) You have been given the following information relating to production for a business

Labour (L)	output (TP)
1	8
2	12
3	18
4	20
5	18
6	4

Required

- i) Average product of labour (4 marks)
- ii) Marginal product of labour (4 marks)

b) The cost function of a business is given by

$$c = 100 + 10Q + 40Q^2$$

Required:

- i) Fixed cost (4 marks)
- ii) Variable cost (4 marks)
- iii) Marginal cost (4 marks)

4. a) State and explain the characteristics of a perfect competition market structure (10 marks)
- b) Using a diagram explain how equilibrium price and quantity are determined in a monopoly market. (10 marks)