



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2017/2018

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SECURITY
MANAGEMENT AND POLICING STUDIES

KPS 107: SOCIAL PROBLEMS

DATE: Friday, 9th February, 2018

TIME: 5.30 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer question **ONE** and other **TWO** questions.

1. a) With concrete examples, explain the following:
 - i) Social problem
 - ii) Social Imagination
 - iii) Functionalist theory
 - iv) Symbolic interactionism

(12 marks)
- b) Explain four (4) characteristics of social problems. (8 marks)
- c) Explain the main assumptions made by sociologists in the study of social problems. (10 marks)
2. Domestic Violence is a problem globally. Discuss how domestic violence could enable a social scientist to understand the state of the family. (20 marks)
3. a) Explain what mental health entails as a social problem. (5 marks)
- b) Discuss the causes and consequences of mental health as a social problem. (15 marks)
4. Discuss the problem of Drug and alcohol abuse and its consequences on the youth as the future leaders in a global society. (20 marks)
5. a) **Either "Abandonment of Elderly People is a big problem in modern Kenya".**
With concrete examples, discuss this statement and explain ways in which this problem can be addressed.
Or
- b) Describe with the use of examples how the problem of Human Trafficking impacts the global society.