



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2010/2011

**FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF
EDUCATION**

**EFN/M/501: CONTEMPORARY THEMES IN THE STUDY OF EDUCATIONAL
FOUNDATIONS**

DATE: TUESDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER 2010

TIME: 2.00 P.M. - 5.00 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS.

1. (a) Briefly define the following terms using relevant examples:
 - i. Gender roles
 - ii. Gender stereotypes
 - iii. Gender socialisation(b) Identify and discuss four (4) educational issues where research has demonstrated the impact of gender.
(c) Choose one gender analytical approach and discuss how you would use it to conceptualise one educational research issue of your choice.
2. Discuss five philosophical issues relevant to current educational policy and practice in Kenya.
3. “Education empowers people and strengthens nations.”
Discuss this statement in the light of gender and development drawing examples from a country of your choice.
4. “The school system should be flexible to cater for the needs of a diverse society.”
Discuss this statement citing examples of different educational programmes for marginalised groups in different countries. Give specific examples.
5. Discuss the ideas of any **one** of the childhood educators and show the relevance of their ideas in the development of early childhood education programmes in Kenya today.
