



# **MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY**

University Examinations for 2022/2023 Academic Year

**SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**  
**FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF ARTS**  
**ASC 101: INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY**  
**MAIN EXAM**

**Date:**

**Time:**

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**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS.**

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- A) Differentiate between the following terms as applied in anthropological studies (20 marks)
- i. Human paleontology and Human variation
  - ii. Ethnography and Ethno-history
  - iii. Cultural diffusion and Acculturation
  - iv. Culture change and Culture loss
  - v. Polygyny and polygamy
- B) Define social cultural anthropology and discuss the sub groups of social cultural anthropology (10 marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- A) Highlight any five key characteristics of culture (10 marks)
- B) Define Kinship and discuss the two major types of descent groups (10marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- A) State and explain the major forms of cultural change (12 marks)
- B) Identify and briefly discuss the four main types of cultural patterns (8 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- A) Using relevant examples discuss how modern-day marriages and kinship ties differ from traditional marriages (15 marks)
- B) Discuss any five functions of marriage in our society (5marks).

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- A) Examine the similarities between anthropology and sociology (10 marks)
- B) Provide reasons that led to the emergence of anthropology as a discipline (10 marks)