



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2022/2023 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

**SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF ARTS  
IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION  
ORDINARY EXAMS  
APP 204: PUBLIC CHOICE**

**Date: /-/-/2022**

**Time: 2 Hours**

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

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- a) Explain five factors that spur economic growth in any developing countries (10 marks)
- b) Evaluate James Buchanan views on the theory of public choice. (10 marks)
- c) With Kenyan practical examples, Explain the key obstacles in voting process.

(10 marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Explain what Vincent Onstrom articulates regarding public choice approach theory

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

Describe the principles that the electoral systems should comply with in Kenya

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

“In poor countries, public sectors are typically small and the relationship between the government's size and growth is positive”. Justify the validity of these statement.

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

Democracies would spend a higher share of the budgets on genuine public goods. Discuss.