



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2022/2023 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
MAIN EXAMINATION

**FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
(ARTS & SCIE.)**

**BACHELOR OF EDUCATION SPECIAL NEED EDUCATION
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE HOSPITALITY & TOURISM,
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE FOOD, NUTRITION & DIETICS
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION & EXTENSION
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE ENVIRONMENT
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE AGRIBUSINESS AND TRADE**

UCU 103: INTRODUCTION TO CRITICAL AND CREATIVE THINKING

Date:

Time:

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a. Using Five practical examples discuss the truth of the assertion that “Philosophy transforms the mind from a state of dependence to that of autonomy.” (15 Marks)
- b. Explain any Five barriers to Critical and Creative Thinking and in each case, demonstrate how these barriers impede proper reasoning (15 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Discuss the nature and relevance of any five tools of evaluation used when assessing our thinking.

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Fallacious arguments prey on our inattentiveness to detail and appeal to emotions in our reasoning. By way of five appropriate illustrations, discuss any five fallacies common among students of Machakos University.

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Problem Solving and Decision making are deliberate processes that must always be guided by critical and creative thinking. By use of examples demonstrate the validity of this statement.

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

While making reference to J.S.Mill's work, "On Liberty of Thought and Individuality", demonstrate how the mind of the average Kenyan can only be liberated if they are allowed to reason and express themselves without restriction.