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UNIVERSITY REGULAR EXAMINATIONS
FACULTY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
2013/2014 ACADEMIC YEAR
SEMESTER EXAMINATION
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
(GEOGRAPHY)
(SB)

COURSE CODE: GEO 309
COURSE TITLE: URBAN GEOGRAPHY
STREAM: Y3S1

DATE: 26TH AUGUST, 2014

TIME: 2:00P.M.-5:00P.M.

Instructions

- Answer Question One (Q1) Compulsory
- Answer any other THREE (3) Questions
- Use illustrations where appropriate

1. Write short notes on each of the following concepts:
 - a) Urban Hierarchy (6 marks)
 - b) Bid Rent theory (6 marks)
 - c) Urban Centrifugation (6 marks)
 - d) Functional Structure of Urban Areas (7 marks)

2. With special attention to urbanization challenges, misconceptions and opportunities in third world countries, discuss Africa's urban transition (15 marks)

3.
 - a) Define Urban Morphology
 - b) Examine the contributions of Ernest Burgess and Homer Hoyt in describing urban form (12 marks)

4. With relevant examples, examine factors in location of urban centres in sub-Saharan Africa? (15 marks)

5.
 - 5a) Define "Central place" (3 marks)
 - b) Evaluate the relevance of Walter Christaller's Central Place theory in explaining location of central places in Kenya (12 marks)

6. Discuss urban transport challenges in Africa and suggest solutions to the challenges.