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**A CONSTITUENT COLLEGE OF MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF
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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

**2014/2015 ACADEMIC YEAR
FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION
(PSSP MAIN & TOWN CAMPUS)**

FOR THE ALL DEGREE PROGRAMMES

COURSE CODE: COS 102

COURSE TITLE: COMMUNICATION SKILLS II

DATE: 24TH AUGUST, 2015

TIME: 11.30PM – 1.30PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer ALL questions.

TIME: 2 Hours

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SECTION A -WRITING SKILLS – 30 MARKS

You have been given the following essay topic to write about: **The goal of Education is to break the cycle of Poverty among Kenyan Citizens.** Discuss.

- (i) Identify the directive verb, content and functional words and the limiting phrase (4 marks)
- (ii) Create an outline you would use in developing this essay (5 marks)
- (iii) Using the information in the outline, write the introductory paragraph. (5mks)
- (iv) Identify and give 3 examples of evidence you will use in supporting your discussion. (6 marks)
- (v) Define plagiarism and state why you should avoid it in your writing (4 marks)
- (vi) Identify features of good academic writing (6 marks)

SECTION B – SPEAKING SKILLS – (20 MARKS)

- (i) An effective speaker engages in research before the actual presentation. Discuss audience and topic research. (8 marks)
- (ii) A visual aid enhances the understanding of the audience. Identify 4 things to consider when creating a visual aid. (4 marks)
- (iii) Identify and discuss 4 characteristics of an effective speaker. (8 marks)

SECTION C – RESEARCH SKILLS – (20 MARKS)

- (i) You have been asked to research on the following topic: **The effects of Reading on Good Exam Performance.**
 - (a) Identify the dependent and independent variables (2 marks)
 - (b) Identify 3 instruments of data collection that you would use to collect data and give reasons for your choice (6 marks)
 - (c) Identify 4 steps in carrying out a literature review (4 marks)
 - (d) Explain 3 ethical considerations to take care of in this study (3 marks)
 - (e) You are expected to develop a proposal before undertaking your study.
Identify the sections of a research proposal and state their contents. (5 marks)