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DIPLOMA IN ARCHITECTURE (DARC 13S – Y1 S2)

BAC 2140: GENERAL ECONOMICS

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SERIES: APRIL 2014

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer booklet*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions.

Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions

All questions carry equal marks

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown
This paper consists of **TWO** printed pages

Question One (COMPULSORY)

- a) Using a well labelled diagram, explain the law of demand and supply. **(6 marks)**
- b) Explain FOUR factors that leads to abnormal demand for a commodity. **(8 marks)**
- c) The demand and supply functions of a commodity are given as:
$$Qd = 54 - p^2 - p$$
$$Qs = 3p + 2p^2 - 18$$

Compute equilibrium price and quantity **(5 marks)**
- d) Differentiate between change in quantity demanded and change in demand. **(11 marks)**

Question Two

- a) Explain FOUR types of price elasticity of demand. **(10 marks)**
- b) Distinguish between Normative Economic Theory and Positive Economic Theory give examples in each. **(10 marks)**

Question Three

- a) Explain the occupational and geographical mobility of factors of production. **(10 marks)**
- b) State and explain the law of diminishing return and its assumptions. **(10 marks)**

Question Four

- a) Explain FOUR causes of inflation and their remedy. **(10 marks)**
- b) Explain how you can curb unemployment problem in Kenya. **(5 marks)**
- c) Explain FOUR functions of money **(5 marks)**

Question Five

- a) Explain THREE ways of measuring National Income. **(10 marks)**
- b) With the aid of a diagram, explain perfect market in short run. **(10 marks)**