



# TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA

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## SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

### SOCIAL SCIENCES

#### UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR:

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN DEVELOPMENT STUDIES BSDS Y1S1

BDS4201: INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY

**SERIES: DECEMBER 2016**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DATE: 6 Dec 2016**

#### **Instructions to Candidates**

You should have the following for this examination

-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Attempt question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

**Do not write on the question paper.**

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#### ***Question one***

- Explain the focus of structuralism school of human thought giving reasons why it's not appropriate in psychology today (4mks)
- Citing relevant examples, distinguish between affiliative and prestige motives (4mks)
- Explain the Approach-Approach conflict in life, giving an example from a college student's perspective. (4mks)
- Differentiate between participant and non participant observation giving the merits of each (6mks)
- Describe three characteristics manifested in a psychotic person (6mks)
- Explain the gestalt 'figure-ground principle'. Use a suitable example to illustrate your answer. (6mks)

#### ***Question Two***

- Explain the concept of sex chromosomal trisomy using the example of Klinefelters syndrome (10 mks)
- Discuss how an organization can use operant conditioning to enhance work performance (10mks)

#### ***Question Three***

- Explain the 'Nature and 'Nurture' controversy in relation to human behavior. (10mks)

b. Discuss any five branches of psychology

(10mks)

***Question Four***

- a. Describe 4 individual's internal factors may influence perception. Use examples to illustrate your answers. (10mks)
- b. Use the behavioural and cognitive models used to explain causes of abnormal behavior (10mks)

***Question Five***

- a. Explain how uncontrolled T.V watching can be dangerous for children using the behaviourist approach. (8mks)
- b. Discuss any four short term defense mechanisms, giving examples of how they are exhibited in peoples' lives (12 mks)