

TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA

FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING & CIVIL ENGINEERING UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

ECE 2308: TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION
SERIES: SEPTEMBER 2018
TIME: 2 HOURS

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.

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 Marks)

- a) Clearly define the term "transportation system." and explain its three main components [5 marks]
- b) To be effective, transportation planning process must be dynamic. Briefly discuss [3 marks]
- c) The real objective of transportation planning is the movement of people and goods and not necessarily the movement of vehicles. Discuss [3 marks]
- d) Explain the term "noise" and clearly outline the effects of traffic noise pollution. [4 marks]
- e) List SIX national transport policy plan objectives

[6 marks]

- f) Briefly explain the sequential stages of the classical 4-step model used in forecasting and analysis of traffic [6 marks]
- g) State THREE features of a good transportation plan

[3 marks]

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION QUESTION TWO (20 Marks)

a) With the aid of suitable diagram, explain the interaction between factors affecting route location
 [3 marks]



b) Using a suitable flowchart, illustrate the basic principles of planning

[5 marks]

- c) With aid of a clear diagram, explain why transportation planning must inevitably be associated with significant development in land-use planning. Illustrate your explanation with a practical example [7 marks
- d) Explain how net present value (NPV) is used in economic evaluation of transport projects [5 marks]

QUESTION THREE (20 Marks)

- a) There are three types of transport plans. Name and explain them with help of a diagram [4.5 marks]
- b) Explain with the help of an equation how regression analysis is used in predicting total passenger traffic of a country [5.5 marks]
- c) Briefly explain FIVE factors taken into account in the route selection process and list the steps involved in modern method of route location for a highway or a railway.

[10 marks]

QUESTION FOUR (20 Marks)

a) Describe the evolution of transportation

[8 marks]

- b) List the steps followed in the preparation of National Level Transport Sector Planning [9 marks]
- c) Clearly explain how fixed costs and variable costs for rail transport system affects its suitability for transportation. [3 marks]

OUESTION FIVE (20 Marks)

- a) Explain the difficulties that may arise as a result of existence of a number of gauges of different measurements in a railway transport system, especially within a common market region
 [6 marks]
- b) Explain FOUR methods used in analysis of accidents data [8 marks]
- c) With the aid of suitable examples, clearly explain the term "objective planning" as it is applied to transportation planning and development. [6 marks]

