



TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA

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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR:

BACHELOR OF ARTS YISI

HCS 4102 FUNDAMENTALS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

SERIES: JULY 2025

TIME: 2 HOURS

DATE: Pick Date Jul 2025

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

- i. Define 'Politics' as used in the study of political science (5 marks)
- ii. Briefly describe the key patterns of politics (5 marks)
- iii. Highlight the evolution of political systems (10 marks)
- iv. Citing relevant examples describe major political systems around the world. (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- i. Evaluate the similarities and differences of direct and indirect democracy. (10 marks)
- ii. Highlight the major government institutions in Kenya. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- i. Outline the major characteristics of democracy with relevant examples. (10 marks)
- ii. Analyze the different types of constitutions we have around the world. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- i. Evaluate the major differences between major political parties in Kenya. (10 marks)
- ii. Citing examples differentiate between liberalism and socialism. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- i. Distinguish between a Unicameral and Bicameral parliament. (10 marks)
- ii. Expound on the Economic, cultural, institutional and Social factors that affect a democracy (10 marks)