

TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA

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DEPARTMENT OF MEDIA & GRAPHIC DESIGN

DIPLOMA IN MASS COMMUNICATION (DMP/R 4)

BMC 2209: ONLINE JOURNALISM AND WEB SKILLS

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: APRIL 2013

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- This paper consists of **TWO** Sections **A** & **B**.
- Section A is Compulsory.
- Answer any other **Two** questions in Section **B**.

This paper consists of Two printed pages.

SECTION A (Compulsory)

QUESTION 1

- a) With reference to any media organisation in Kenya, discuss the concept of convergence giving reasons why companies adopt convergence. (15 marks)
- b) Drawing from your experiences of online skills, discuss why blogging is an important source of information for the journalist. (15 marks)

SECTION B (Attempt any TWO questions)

QUESTION 2

Alvin Toefler has described changes in technology as the third wave. Explain the historical developments of technology and how they have affected journalism. (20 marks)

QUESTION 3

Discuss the relevance of the mobile phone as a tool for communication and information. (20 marks)

QUESTION 4

Citing relevant examples, discuss the difference between a citizen journalist and a conventional journalist. (20 marks)