



## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

**SECOND SEMESTER 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (GEOGRAPHY)**

**GEOG 126: INTRODUCTION TO URBAN GEOGRAPHY**

***STREAM: R***

***TIME: 2 HRS***

***DAY: TUESDAY [11.30A.M – 1.30P.M]***

***DATE: 16/04/2024***

**THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF TWO (2) PAGES**

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**Instructions**

**Answer question ONE and any other TWO Questions**

**Sketch Maps and diagrams should be used whenever they serve to illustrate an answer.**

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- a) Explain the meaning of the following terms as used in urban Geography.
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|---------------------------|-----------|
| i. Urban growth           | (2 Marks) |
| ii. Level of urbanization | (2 Marks) |
| iii. Centrality           | (2 Marks) |
| iv. Re-Urbanization       | (2 Marks) |
| v. Metropolitanism        | (2 Marks) |
- b) Discuss factors that contributed to the emergence and evolution of ancient cities (10 Marks)
- c) Examine urbanization trends in different regions of Africa (10 Marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a) Explain the twin process of invasion and succession as used in the concentric model by Burgess. (6 Marks)
- b) Write an essay on sector model, explaining its merits and demerits in the study of the internal structure of towns and cities. (14 Marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Examine the dominant characteristics of the following:
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|----------------------|-----------|
| a) Defensive towns   | (5 Marks) |
| b) Collection towns  | (5 Marks) |
| c) Residential towns | (5 Marks) |
| d) Resort towns      | (5 Marks) |

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Citing relevant examples, discuss how location characteristics can be used to describe and classify towns and cities. (20 Marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Examine the disadvantages of Central Place Theory (CPT) (12 Marks)
- b) Explain how innovations in different areas contributed to the development of urbanization during the Industrial Revolution. (8 Marks)

