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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR
OF SCIENCE IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

SOCI 302: SOCIAL STATISTICS I

STREAMS: BSC (CDEV)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 20/7/2021

11.30 A.M. – 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer question ONE and any other TWO
- Do not write on the question paper

1. (a) Differentiate the following terms [10 marks]

- (i) Descriptive statistics and inferential statistics
- (ii) Population and sample
- (iii) Continuous variable and discrete variable
- (iv) Qualitative data and quantitative data
- (v) Parameter and statistic

(b) Suppose a population has a mean of 275 and a standard deviation of 22.3.
Compute the standard score corresponding to $X = 250, 275$ and 280

[10 marks]

(c) Calculate the mean absolute deviation of the following frequency distribution

[10 marks]

Marks	0 – 10	10 – 20	20 – 30	30 – 40	40 – 50
No. of students	5	8	15	16	6

2. (a) Discuss the significance of statistical methods in social sciences [10 marks]

(b) Elaborate on the importance of measuring dispersion in social sciences

[10 marks]

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3. The table below shows the distribution of marks of forty candidates in a test

Marks	1-10	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	71-80	81-90
Frequency	2	2	3	9	12	5	2	3	2

From the information given calculate

- (a) Mean [3 marks]
 - (b) Median [3 marks]
 - (c) Modal class [1 mark]
 - (d) Range [1 mark]
 - (e) Variance [4 marks]
 - (f) Standard deviation [2 marks]
 - (g) 8th decile [3 marks]
 - (h) 60th percentile [3 marks]
4. (a) A bag contains 8 red marble balls and 5 yellow marble balls. If two balls are drawn from the bag one at a time, find the probability of drawing a red ball and a yellow ball.
- (i) Without replacement [5 marks]
 - (ii) With replacement [5 marks]
- (b) The table below represents the distribution of scores in an examination

Scores	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	64-69
Frequency	2	4	12	9	9	8	3	3

Determine the

- (i) The lower quartile [3 marks]
 - (ii) The upper quartile [3 marks]
 - (iii) Interquartile range [2 marks]
 - (iv) Semi interquartile range [2 marks]
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