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**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)**

GEOG 205: ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY

STREAMS: BED (ARTS)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 06/12/2017

8.30 A.M. – 10.30 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

1. Write concise essays on the following:
 - (a) Spatial distribution of primary production activities in Kenya. [10 marks]
 - (b) Methodologies used by economic geographers to study phenomena.[10 marks]
 - (c) Role of location theory in explaining the distribution of economic activities. [10 marks]
 2. Discuss the major paradigms that have influenced the content and methodology of economic geography. [20 marks]
 3. Explain the major factors that influence the spatial distribution of industries.[20 marks]
 4. (a) State the major simplifying assumptions made in the von Thunen model of agricultural location. [6 marks]
(b) Show how the concept of locational rent is used to derive the concentric zones of land use in the von Thunen model. [14 marks]
 5. (a) Define the concept spatial diffusion. [4 marks]
(b) Discuss the factors that impede the spatial diffusion of an innovation pulse. [16 marks]
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