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FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION IN ECDE

EPSC 123: STATISTICAL METHODS IN EDUCATION

STREAMS: BED (ARTS) Y2S1

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 5/12/2018

8.30 A.M - 10.30 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer Question ONE (COMPULSORY) and any TWO Questions
- Do not write anything on the question paper

QUESTION ONE - COMPULSORY [30 MARKS]

1. (a) Define:

- (i) Statistics
- (ii) Statistical methods [3 Marks]

(b) What is the major significance of the study of statistical methods in Education to secondary school teachers in Kenya. [6 Marks]

(c) Distinguish these terms;

- (i) Population and sample
- (ii) Parametric and non-parametric statistics
- (iii) Continuous variable and discrete variable [6 Marks]

(d) Determine the;

- (i) Range [2 Marks]
- (ii) Mean [8 Marks]
- (iii) Variance [3 Marks]

(iv) Standard deviation [2 Marks]

For the data in the table below:

Class	15-25	25-35	35-45	45-55	55-65	75-85
f	3	7	10	9	8	6

**QUESTION TWO: [20 MARKS]**

(a) An examination taken by a Form One Class in Jamii High School generated a mean of 65.8 and standard deviation of 10.07.

- (i) Determine the Z-score of 80. [3 Marks]
- (ii) Determine the final score that lies to standard deviations below the mean. [3 Marks]

(b) A population has a mean of  $\mu=275$  and a standard deviation  $\sigma=22.3$ . Compute the standard scores corresponding to: -

- (a)  $X=275$  [2 Marks]
- (b)  $X=280$  [2 Marks]
- (c)  $X=275$  [2 Marks]

(c) Describe any five types of statistics used in education. [8 Marks]

**QUESTION THREE -20 MARKS**

(a) Determine  $Q_1, Q_2$  and  $Q_3$  from the data below:

Scores	15	18	21	23	25	26	27	28	29	32
Frequency	1	1	2	3						

(b) Identify five factors that influence the correlation coefficient. [5 Marks]

(c) The data of the length of 40 rods of metal is shown on the table below:

Length	145-149	150-154	155-159	160-164	165-169	170 - 174	175 - 179
Frequency	2	5	16	9	5	2	1

**Calculate:**

- (i) The median length
- (ii) The lower quartile
- (iii) The upper quartile
- (iv) The inter-quartile range
- (v) The semi-inter-quartile range [10 Marks]

**QUESTION FOUR- 20 MARKS**

(a) Two dice are tossed together. What is the probability that the sum of the two upper faces will be:

(i) Seven

(ii) Nine

(iii) Less than four

(iv) Greater than 8

[8 Marks]

(b) Define these terms;

Estimation

[1 Mark]

Confident interval

[1 Mark]

(c) Identify any five steps in hypothesis testing.

[10 Marks]

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