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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF  
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS**

**GEOG 322: URBAN GEOGRAPHY**

**STREAMS: BED (ARTS)**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 14/04/2020**

**11.30 AM – 1.30 PM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Answer Question One and any other Two Questions**

1. (a) What is the commonality between behavioral urban studies and analytical urban geography. [2 marks]
  - (b) Explain the following terms:
    - (i) Urban geography [2 marks]
    - (ii) Hinterland [2 marks]
    - (iii) Urban spawl [2 marks]
  - (b) Distinguish between:
    - (i) Primate city and mega city [4 marks]
    - (ii) Linear city and circular city [4 marks]
  - (c) Identify the criteria for classifying place as urban in Kenya based in the National Census of 2019. [6 marks]
  - (d) Viewing Nairobi and Thika as a conurbation, discuss the factors that have contributed to its development. [6 marks]
2. Account for the development of urban geographic thinking. [20 marks]
  3. (a) Discuss the causes of high rate of urbanization in developing countries. [10 marks]
  - (b) State the Bid Rent Theory [3 marks]

- (c) Using a specific urban centre in Kenya, evaluate the practicability of the Bid Rent Theory. [7 marks]
4. Critic the different urban land use policies and plans in Kenya since independence. [20 marks]
5. (a) How have cities become a force for addressing sustainable economic growth, development and prosperity. [12 marks]
- (b) Focusing on devolution, discuss the different actors in urban governance and the resultant success in Kenya. [10 marks]
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