

CHUKA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION 2024/2025

**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ECONOMICS
STATISTICS AND ECONOMICS SOCIOLOGY**

ECON 303: WORLD FOOD ECONOMY

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer question **ONE** and any other **THREE** questions

Question one (25 marks)

- Differentiate between rural development and regional development (4 marks)
- Describe Thomas Malthus's principle of population, including the view of human behavior on which this principle rests (5 marks)
- Expound on five determinants of food consumption by household (5 marks)
- What do you understand by the term "Agricultural Transformation"? (3 marks)
- The FAO's definition of food security emphasizes economic access to an adequate diet. Explain this emphasis, taking into account other dimensions of human nourishment. (3 marks)
- Assess the likely impacts of food aid on imports and domestic production in recipient countries (5 marks)

Question two (15 marks)

- Examine strategies that have been employed to bring about agricultural development and in promoting overall economic development and food security in Kenya (10 marks)
- Differentiate between chronic and transitory food insecurity giving relevant examples (5 marks)

Question three (25 marks)

- Examine the key drivers of food system changes and their ability to improve food and nutrition security (12 marks)
- Why does a policy of one child per family no longer make economic sense for China? (3 marks)

Question four (15 marks)

- Explain five changes in factors affecting urban food consumption (10 marks)

- b) How have public policies and government action (or inaction) affected Sub-Saharan agriculture and its contributions to overall development? (5 marks)

Question five (15 marks)

- a) Discuss four strategies used for rural development (12 marks)
- b) Expound on two critical missing elements of the club of Rome model and assess the implications of these omissions (3 marks)

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