



## GARISSA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION **2017/2018** ACADEMIC YEAR **ONE**  
**FIRST** SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE: HIS 110

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO AFRICAN HISTORY UPTO 1884

EXAMINATION DURATION: 3 HOURS

**DATE: 13/12/17**

**TIME: 09.00-12.00 PM**

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### INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

- The examination has **SIX (6)** questions
- Question **ONE (1)** is **COMPULSORY**
- Choose any other **THREE (3)** questions from the remaining **FIVE (5)** questions
- Use sketch diagrams to illustrate your answer whenever necessary
- Do not carry mobile phones or any other written materials in examination room
- Do not write on this paper

This paper consists of **THREE (3)** printed pages

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### QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)

(a) Define the following terms;-

- i. Civilization [3 marks]
- ii. Neolithic revolution [2 marks]
- iii. A cephalous Societies [2 marks]
- iv. Cephalous Societies [2 marks]
- v. Metallurgy [2 marks]

(b) Briefly discuss the two theories advanced that attempt to explain the origin of Iron working in Africa. [4 marks]

(c) Describe the impact of iron technology on African communities during the Neolithic period. [10 marks]

### QUESTION TWO

(a) Discuss three conditions that influenced the evolution of man. [3 marks]

(b) “Africa is considered as the Cradle of Mankind,” using elaborate examples, discuss the process of human evolution in Africa (early man in Africa). [12 marks]

### QUESTION THREE

Discuss using examples the features of the centralized and the decentralized systems of administration in pre-colonial African societies. [15 marks]

### QUESTION FOUR

“Generalizations oversimplify African civilizations and the continent’s diversity”, In line with this statement discuss the rise, development and downfall of **ANY ONE** of the following Civilizations;-

- i. Egyptian Civilization
- ii. Meroe Civilization
- iii. Axum [15 marks]



### QUESTION FIVE

Using examples comprehensively describe the emergence and spread of any of the following;-

- i. Bantu
- ii. Nilotic and
- iii. Cushitic Speakers in Africa

[15 marks]

### QUESTION SIX

Identify and explain the role and impacts of early European contacts to the development of trade contacts between Africa and the outside world up to 1884.

[15 marks]

**OR**

Discuss the origins, spread and impacts of **EITHER one** of the following religions in Africa;-

- i. Islam
- ii. Christianity

[15 marks]

