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**BACHELOR OF ARTS IN DEVELOPMENT STUDIES & PHILOSOPHY
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END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

BDP/BIS 2105: FAMILY STUDIES AND DEVELOPMENT

Date: Friday 18th October 2019

Time: 10:30 – 12:30

Instructions

1. This examination consists of **FIVE** questions.
2. Answer **Question ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions.

Question one: Compulsory question (30 marks):

- a) Distinguish the conjugal and the sexual instinct? (2 marks)
- b) Distinguish love and lust (2 marks).
- c)
 - i) What is the overall mandate of the State regarding the family as stated in the Constitution of Kenya? What is the given rationale? (4 marks)
 - ii) Name six documents (3 national¹ and 3 regional) that demonstrate the official recognition given to marriage and family. (6 marks)
- d) Name and describe briefly the three essential properties or characteristics of marriage? (6 marks)
- e) Briefly relate marriage and happiness as outlined by Cormac Burke (4 marks)
- f) Name three threats to marriage and comment on how they are manifested and resolved. (6 marks)

¹ excluding the Constitution

Question two (15 marks):

- a) The State has a duty to protect the family. Give three justifications for this (3 marks)?
- b) List six rights of the family as outlined in the Charter of the Rights of the Family (6 marks).
- c) Indicate and comment on three forms of policy or legal interventions that either strengthen or undermine marriage and family? (6 marks)

Question three (15 marks):



- a) What are the biological (hormonal) underpinnings of paternal and maternal strengths (2 marks)? How are the respective strengths demonstrated in family life (4 marks)?
- b) How does marriage (vis-à-vis single parenthood or cohabitation) benefit spouses in their parenting roles? (3 marks)
- c) Outline the *educational, psychological and behavioral* benefits for children of continuous paternal presence and involvement in the upbringing of children. (6 marks)

Question four (15 marks):

Christopher Wolfe, in his article '*Defining Marriage*' discusses ten key features of marriage. Briefly describe any five features that you think best highlight the risks or negative effects associated with cohabitation (as reported by Patricia Lee and others). (15 marks)

Question five (15 marks):

'The family is the first and most natural school of values in which young people should grow and develop.' (Cormac Burke, *Man and Values*)

Mention five of these values and outline how they are manifested in the family set-up. Discuss how each of them contributes to the development of the person. (15 marks)