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SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SCIENCE: KITENGELA CAMPUS

FIRST SEMESTER, 2025/2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

**INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT THEORY AND PRACTISE:
BACD 1113**

TIME: 2 HOURS

EXAMINATION SESSION: DECEMBER 2025

DATE:

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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Attempt ALL the questions in Section A
2. Attempt any Two questions in Section B
3. The entire exam is worth Forty (40) marks.
4. Write ONLY on the space provided on the answer sheet or as otherwise instructed.
5. Where necessary Show your working clearly.
6. Do NOT attempt to access any library, online (audio, video, digital or electronic) or paper based (written), sources for your answers unless this is clearly advised in the Question

SECTION A (20 Marks) ATTEMPT ALL THE QUESTIONS

Question 1

Community development is guided by a range of theoretical perspectives and practical approaches that aim to promote empowerment, participation, and sustainable change.

- a) Explain the concept of **community development**, highlighting its main goals and guiding principles. (6 marks)
 - b) Discuss **three theoretical perspectives** that inform community practice and explain how each contributes to understanding community change. (9 marks)
 - c) Using an example, describe how a **strengths-based and empowerment approach** can be applied to address a local community issue. (5 marks)
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SECTION B (Answer any TWO Questions, 10 Marks each)

Question 2

Investigate the **functions of community in modern society** and analyze **two major causes of community dysfunction** emphasizing on practitioners can address these dysfunctions through effective community practice (10 marks)

Question 3

- (a) Explain the different **types of community needs** (normative, perceived, expressed, and relative) and how they can be measured (6 marks)
- (b) Briefly describe **three methods** that can be used in conducting a community assessment (4 marks)

Question 4

- a) Compare and contrast **Community Development, Social Action, and Community Planning** as intervention approaches (5 marks)
- b) Support your answer with examples show which of these is most effective in promoting sustainable community change? (5 marks)