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## **University Examinations 2024/2025**

### **THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

#### **BFC 3334: FINANCIAL SYSTEMS**

**DATE: JANUARY 2025**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Answer question *one* and any other *two* questions

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#### **QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- a) Discuss the reasons why money markets are not fully developed in Kenya. (10 marks)
- b) Suggest remedies for the reasons discussed in (a) above (5 marks)
- c) Highlight the purpose of financial sector regulation in Kenya (8 marks)
- d) In the context of financial systems, enumerate any seven components of professional ethics and values (7 marks)

#### **QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a) Explain reasons why capital markets are more developed than money in Kenya (8 marks)

- b) The versatile facilities and opportunities provided by the internet and world wide web has led to the development of electronic commerce. Highlight the benefits of E-banking (8 marks)
- c) Enumerate the challenges in E-Banking (4 marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Describe the role of the financial system in an economy (10 marks)
- b) Explain the meaning of the following terms as applied in primary financial markets
- i. Agency bond
  - ii. Corporate bond
  - iii. Junk bonds
  - iv. Mortgage bonds
  - v. Income bonds (10 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- a) Discuss the role of Nairobi securities exchange in the economic development of Kenya (10 marks)
- b) Explain the five basic tenets of corporate governance (10 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Discuss the functions of commercial banks (10 marks)
- b) Highlight eight benefits of mutual funds (4 marks)
- c) Explain three factors that have led to the success of bureau de change (6 marks)