



# **MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY**

**University Examinations for 2023/2024 Academic Year**

**SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH SCIENCES**

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES**

**FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR**

**BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION),**

**BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS) AND**

**BACHELOR OF ARTS**

**AGE 400: REMOTE SENSING AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

**DATE:**

**TIME:**

**Instructions: Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions**

**QUESTION ONE (30 Marks)**

a) Explain the following concepts

- i. Remote sensing (2 marks)
- ii. Spectral signature (2 marks)
- iii. Radiometric resolution (2 marks)
- iv. Atmospheric windows (2 marks)
- v. Geometric error (2 marks)

b) Explain why you would recommend remote sensing data for monitoring natural resources in Kenya (10 marks)

c) Using an illustration, discuss the interactions between electromagnetic radiation and Earth's atmosphere (10 marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a) Using an illustration, describe the key components in the remote sensing process (10 marks)
- b) Discuss the concept the electromagnetic spectrum and its relevance in remote sensing (10 marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

Discuss the key image pre-processing and enhancement approaches required before interpretation or analysis of satellite images

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Describe the key steps you would adopt in supervised classification of remote sensing data

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

Discuss the potential application of remote sensing in management of marine resources in Kenya