

"Investing in Africa's Future"

FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

COURSE TITLE: MPM 102- POLITICS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

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TIME: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer any 4 questions. Total possible mark is 100.

Start each question on a new page in your answer booklet.

The marks allocated to each question are shown at the end of that question.

Question 1

Describe the main features of a bureaucracy according to Max Weber. (25 marks)

Question 2

Managers in public administration look out for structural designs that will best support and facilitate employees doing the organization's work in today's dynamic environment. Discuss the process of creating an organization structure. (25 marks)

Question 3

Discuss Henry Mintzberg's ten management roles. (25 marks)

Question 4

Political competence entails that the administrator think through four political questions concerning resources, costs, stakeholders and strategies. Discuss three forms of political resources that the prudent administrator assesses before attempting any major political act. (25 marks)

Question 5

Samuel Huntington (1991: 45) describes a wave of democratization as a group of transitions from nondemocratic regimes that occur within a specified period of time and that significantly outnumber transitions in the opposite direction during that period. Discuss Huntington's waves of democratization.

(25 marks)

Question 6

Discuss the significance of legislatures in authoritarian states. (25 marks)

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