

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS, PEACE, LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE

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TIME: 5 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer **one** question.

- 2. Start each question on a new page.
- 3. Each question carries a weight of **100** marks.
- 4. You have 5 hours to complete and submit your answer to the University Moodle platform.
- 5. Anti-plagiarism tools will be used to assess your answer for any form of examination misconduct and plagiarised work will be punished in terms of University Regulations.

Question One

The Covid-19 pandemic forced governments across the globe to introduce different measures to curb the spread of the virus. However, the lockdowns and associated shutdowns negatively affected economic development. The pandemic left many African countries with an indelible dent resulting from economic recession. As an Economic Analysis and Public Policy specialist, advise your government on how it can use fiscal and monetary policies to stimulate and revive economic development.

[100 marks]

Question Two

The transfer of unfunded mandates has significantly crippled effective service delivery in many Africa countries. Critically examine this assertion and, using knowledge gained from this course, design a fiscal decentralisation framework to address the problem and implications of unfunded mandates.

[100 marks]

Question Three

Public debt has become a wicked problem that many African countries are grappling with. Using your knowledge of revenue mobilisation and expenditure control and management, what do you think should be done to avoid the debt trap choking development efforts in Africa? Provide evidence to substantiate your claims.

[100 marks]

END OF EXAMINATION