# Uganda Marcyrs University

## Institute of Ethics and Development Studies

# Masters of Arts Development Studies - Distance Learning

#### All Domains

# Module 5: Public Policy and Administration

End of Year Two (2013/2014) Examination

Wednesday, 18th June 2014

2:00pm - 4:00pm

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Please read the instructions carefully before answering the questions.
- 2. Read each question carefully and write legibly.
- 3. Answer three questions only
- 4. All questions carry equal marks
- 5. Use of relevant examples and illustrations will earn you more marks
- 6. Do not write anything on this question paper
- 1.(a) Explain the implications of wrongly defining the problem in the policy making process.
- (b) What is the relationship between a public problem, a public policy and the policy environment?
- (c) When does a problem become a public problem?
- 2. (a) What values influence the decisions of policy makers?
- (b) Clearly distinguish between the rational comprehensive and the incremental models/theories of decision making.
- 3. "Most policies in developing countries fail because wrong policy instruments/tools" Do you agree or disagree with the statement. Explain your answer.

#### 4. EITHER

- (a) Explain the reasons why the NAADS programme was put in place.
- (b) In your opinion has the NAADS programme achieved its objectives? Explain your answer.

### OR

- (a) What is policy evaluation?
- (b) Explain the steps in policy evaluation
- (c) What problems are likely to be encountered in the policy evaluation process?

- 5. Clearly distinguish between traditional public administration and new public management/administrative governance.
- 6. Explain the relationship between public administration and a public budget.