

Uganda Martyrs University

Department of Good Governance and Peace Studies

Year I Diploma/BA Local Governance and Human Rights

2016/2017 End of Academic Year Final Assessment

Module 1: Introduction to Local Government

Instruction:

- Candidates should not write anything on the Question Paper.
 - Candidates must attempt three questions in all: One from Section 1 and Two from Section 2.
 - Time: 3 hours
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Section 1 (40 Marks)

Attempt one question from this section

1. The districts' financial distress in Uganda and South Sudan is blamed largely on the governments' rush to create many new small districts/States with no viable revenue bases which run structures of properly constituted local governments. In your own opinion, what should be the elements that the central government should consider before creating a local government unit for effective service delivery?
2. You have been hired by the ministry of local government to train district councilors of your district to improve their capacity in delivering services. Show (with reasons) what you would consider as the most four most argument issues to be addressed in the training.

Section 2 (60 Marks)

Attempt two questions from this section

1. What roles does the local civil society have to play in local government?
2. Give and defend the most effective ways to involve the poor and excluded local communities in local leadership?
3. How can local government ensure that local community leadership programmes are connected into wider strategic decision making processes?
4. Give key benefits of effective local leadership?
5. Explain the known approaches (with examples) that liberal governments have used to give autonomy to Local Governments.