



**KARATINA UNIVERSITY**

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

**2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER REGULAR  
EXAMINATION**

**FOR THE DEGREE OF**

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE ACTUARIAL SCIENCE**

**COURSE CODE: ACS 111**

**COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO ACTUARIAL  
SCIENCE**

**DATE: 22/01/2025**

**TIME: 9.00AM- 11.00AM**

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**INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES**

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**INSTRUCTION: Answer all questions in section A and any other THREE in section B**

**SECTION A: 30MKS**

- a) Describe cash flow scenario for a student joining first year at Karatina University  
(2mks)
- b) Find the present value as at 1 January 2005 of a series of 10 annual payments starting at £500 on 1 January 2006 and increasing by £100 each year. Assume an effective rate of interest of 8% pa.  
(4mks)
- c) Describe two rules of professional conduct and standards of practice among actuaries  
(4mks)
- d) If you deposit \$4000 into an account paying 6% annual interest compounded quarterly, how much money will be in the account after 5 years?(4mks)
- e) Identify three types of insurance  
(3mks )
- f) Difference between an Ordinary Life Table and a Multiple-Decrement Life Table  
(3mks)
- g) Describe project appraisal citing four aspects of project appraisal.  
(4mks)
- h) Prove that

$$\bar{a}_{n|} = \frac{i}{\delta} a_{n|} \quad (\text{if } \delta \neq 0)$$

(6mks)

**SECTION B**

**Question Two (20 marks)**

- a) Describe the 5 stage process of risk assessment?  
(10mks)
- b) i) A small-scale businessman deposits money into his savings account at the beginning of each year, depending on the returns of the business. He deposits \$1000 in the first year, \$2000 in the second year, \$5000 in the third, and \$7000 in the fourth year. The account credits interest at an annual interest rate of 7%. What is the closest

value of the accumulated money in the savings account at the beginning of year 4?

(5mks)

- ii) Suppose that you borrowed \$20k for 36 months to buy a car last year at an annual interest rate of 5% compounded monthly. What is the amount of monthly payment? (5mk)

Question three (20 marks)

a)

Calculate  $a_{\overline{25}|}$  and  $\ddot{a}_{\overline{15}|}$  using an interest rate of 13½% *pa* effective.

(5mks)

b) Prove that

$$\ddot{s}_{\overline{n}|} = (1+i)s_{\overline{n}|}$$

(5mks)

- c) A man makes payments into an investment account of \$200 at time 5, \$190 at time 6, \$180 at time 7, and so on until a payment of \$100 at time 15. Assuming an annual effective rate of interest of 3.5%, calculate:

- i) the present value of the payments at time 4 (4mks)  
ii) the present value of the payments at time 0 (3mks)  
iii) the accumulated value of the payments at time 15 (3mks)

Question Four (20 marks)

- a) Explain five principles of insurance (10mks)  
b) Explain Five techniques of managing risks (10mks)

Question Five (20 marks)

- a) Describe roles of actuaries (10mks)  
b) I will invest \$500 per quarter for my retirement at 7.3% compounding quarterly for 32 years. I have a choice of making that payment of \$500 at the beginning or the end of the quarter (regular annuity or annuity due). In which account will I have more money and by how much? Which account will earn the most interest and by how much? (7mks)

c) Outline 3 methods of appraising projects

(3mks)