



**THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES
FIVE ISLANDS CAMPUS**

Semester II

Examinations of April/May 2022

Course Code: ECON0101
Course Title: Preliminary Mathematics for Social Sciences
Date of Assessment: Wednesday, May 11, 2022
Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm
Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

This paper has 3 pages and 8 questions.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.

THIS ASSESSMENT IS WORTH 60% OF YOUR FINAL GRADE.

ASSIGNMENT DETAILS FROM INSTRUCTORS:

Students are required to answer ALL questions.

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1. a) Given the Universal set $U = \{ 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 \}$
Set $A = \{ 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 \}$ and Set $B = \{ 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9 \}$

i) Draw a Venn diagram to show this information [2 marks]

Answer the following questions:

ii) $B - A$

iii) $A' \cup B'$

iv) $A' \cap B'$ [3 marks]

- b) If told that $n(U) = 75$, $n(A) = 50$, $n(B) = 25$ and $n(A \cup B)' = 15$
Find x , the number of elements in both sets. [3 marks]

2. a) If $A \text{ } \S \text{ } B = (A^2 - B^2)/B$, then $(-4) \text{ } \S \text{ } (-5) = ?$ [2 marks]

b) $\sqrt{P + 4Q} = M$ make 'P' the subject of the equation [3 marks]

3. a) Solve $\frac{2(x+3)}{5} = x + 3$ [3 marks]

b) Factorize the following completely:

i) $4x^2 - 25$ [2 marks]

ii) $3x^2 + 3x - 36$ [3 marks]

4. a) In a Stationery store, two pens and four folders cost \$22.00.
Five pens and two folders cost \$23.00
What is the cost of each item? [4 marks]

- b) If $T_n = 3n^2 - 2$ represents the n^{th} term of a sequence; where n is a positive integer.
- i) Show that the first term is 1 [2 marks]
- ii) What is the second term [1 mark]
- iii) What term is 25? [3 marks]

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5. By constructing graph(s) in the range $-4 \leq x \leq 4$, find the point(s) of intersection between $y = x^2 - 7x - 8$ and $y = -5 - 5x$

[4 marks]

Hint: Populate Table:

x	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4
$Y = x^2 - 7x - 8$									
$Y = -5x - 5$									

6. a) The gradient $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$; where (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) are points on the line.

i) Find the gradient/slope of the line through the points (1, 7) and (3, 13).

[2 marks]

ii) Find the equation of the line (of form: $= mx + c$) through the points in (i) above.

[2 marks]

7. a) Given $g(x) = 2x^2 - 8$ and $f(x) = 3x - 2$

Find $g(f(2))$

[2 marks]

b) If $h(x) = \frac{2x+3}{x+1}$; Find $h^{-1}(x) =$

[4 marks]

8. i) How many ways can the letters of **ALGEBRA** be arranged?

[3 marks]

ii) How many groups of 6 from 8 can be formed?

[2 marks]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

FORMULAE SHEET

Arithmetic Progression

$$T_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n - 1) d]$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2} [a + L]$$

Geometric Progression

$$T_n = ar^{n-1}$$

$$S_n = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}; \text{ if } r > 1; n \neq 1; S_n = \frac{a(1 - r^n)}{1 - r}; \text{ if } r < 1; n \neq 1$$

Permutation

$${}^n P_r = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

Combination

$${}^n C_r = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

Simple Interest $I = \frac{PTR}{100}$

Roots of quadratic equations : c = 0

if $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$; then

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$



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ERRATA SHEET

QUESTION 5 (d): (ORIGINAL)

(d) Find the equation of the perpendicular bisector of the line segment AB
in (a) above.

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QUESTION 5 (d): (CORRECTION)

(d) Find the equation of the perpendicular bisector of the line segment AB
in (c) above.

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