



**KISII UNIVERSITY**  
**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE**  
**DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS**  
**SECOND SEMESTER 2021/2022**  
**[JUNE-SEPTEMBER, 2022]**

**HIST 221: THEMES IN THE HISTORY OF PARLIAMENT**

**STREAM: Y2 S2**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY: WEDNESDAY, 12:00 – 2:00 PM**

**DATE: 07/09/2022**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Do not write anything on this question paper.***
- 2. Answers question ONE and any other TWO questions.***

**QUESTION ONE**

- What are the features of parliamentary system of Government? (3 marks)
- Describe the three arms of government in a democratic country. (12 marks)
- Discuss the functions of parliament in a democratic country. (15 marks)

**QUESTION TWO**

- State composition of US Congress. (5 marks)
- Explain the functions of US Congress according to the US constitution. (15 marks)

**QUESTION THREE**

Describe the structure, membership and functions of the French parliament. (20marks)

#### **QUESTION FOUR**

- a) Highlight the main features of the traditional systems of government during the pre-colonial period in Kenya. (10 marks)
- b) Highlight the main roles played by council of Elders among the pre-colonial Kenyan societies. (10 marks)

#### **QUESTION FIVE**

- a) Identify reasons why Kenya demanded for 2010 constitutions. (5 marks)
- b) Discuss the provisions of Lennox Boyd and Lyttelton constitutions. (15 marks)