

## **FACULTY OF SCIENCE**

## **DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY**

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Marks 180

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Instructions Answer all the questions

In all cases, use well drawn annotated sketches to supplement your explanations and answers.

## Section A: Plate Tectonics

- 1. Discuss subduction zones in terms of all its effects on the crust of the Earth. (30 marks)
- 2. Discuss continental rifts in terms of plate tectonic processes. (20 marks)
- 3. Discuss the difference between true and apparent polar wander. (6 marks)
- 4. Make a sketch of a typical transform fault and name the six different classes of transform faults. (12 marks)
- 5. Discuss the terms transpression and transtension in terms of plate tectonic processes. (10 marks)
- 6. Make **TWO** sets of sketches that compare the formation of continental rifts and aulacogens from the extensional to compressional stages. (12 marks)

## Section B: Structural Geology

- 1. Make a series of sketches that indicate **NINE** different types of faults. Be sure to name each of these types of faults. (30 marks)
- 2. Make **TWO** sketches that explain the formation of Antitaxial and Syntaxial vein formation. (10 marks)
- 3. Discuss the relationship between Force, Stress, Deformation and Strain. Indicate how these relate to each other in the **FIVE** common strain states. (35 marks)
- 4. Discuss and use annotated sketches to explain Andersons theory of faulting (15 marks)