



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2018/2019 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

APRIL SESSION EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

ARE 200: COMPARATIVE RELIGION

DATE: SCHOOL BASED

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer **QUESTION ONE** and any other **TWO QUESTIONS**

1. a) examine how the knowledge of Bible and Quran and other religious texts enhance religious tolerance (8 marks)
- b) Explain the influence that the Bible and the Quran have on ethical, religious and cultural life of learners. (8 marks)
- c) identify structural features of the Bible in the following order (7 marks)
 - i. Old Testament
 - ii. New Testament
- d) identify structural features of the Qur'an in the following terms (7 marks)
 - i) Chapters
 - ii) verses
2. discuss revelation of Quran in Makkan and Madina periods (20 marks)
3. a) Identify factors that influence religious texts interpretation. (10 marks)
- b) Explain the form, content and historical context of religious sacred texts. (10 marks)
4. a) Identify the main doctrines of Islam, Christianity and Judaism. (10 marks)
- b) Compare and contrast the similarities and differences between Islam and Christianity (10 marks)
5. Examine how the study of comparative religion can enhance inter-religions dialogue as well as promote mutual understanding and peaceful co-existence. (20 marks)