



# **MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY**

**University Examinations for 2018/2019 Academic Year**

**SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**SECOND YEAR SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR**

**BACHELOR OF EDUCATION**

**BACHELOR OF ARTS**

**ARE 202: CRITICAL STUDY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT TEXTS**

**DATE: 24/7/2019**

**TIME: 11.00-1.00 PM**

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

1. a) Discuss the Markan Priority Hypothesis. (10 marks)
- b) Explain with reasons why it is one of the most convincing solutions to the synoptic problem. (10 marks)
- c) Explain the structural organization of The New Testament. (10 marks)
2. Citing at least two approaches, discuss the importance of Textual Criticism of the New Testament. (20 marks)
3. Giving at least two examples, discuss the literary problems encountered when reading the Gospels. (20 marks)
4. The New Testament has been and still is the Christian code of faith. Discuss. (10 marks)
5. Analyze the first gospel of mark with reference to.
  - a) Purpose of the letter. (10 marks)
  - b) Some textual problems. (10 marks)