

MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2019/2020 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

BACHELOR OF ARTS

ARE 417: ISLAMIC PHILOSOPHY

DATE: 4/12/2019 TIME: 8.30-10.30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

a) Explain the meaning of the following:

i. Falsafah (5 marks)

ii. Philosophy (5 marks)

b) Discuss the pre-Islamic Arabian belief in God, human soul, life after death and predestination.

(20 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Give an account of how Greek Philosophy passed unto the Muslims.

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Examine the primary sources of Islamic philosophy.

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Describe the Islamic view on the followings:

a) Ultimate Reality (5 marks)

b) Eschatology (5 marks)

c) Theory of knowledge (5 marks)

d) Soul of man (5 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Describe the fundamental principles of the Mutazilah.