



# **MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY**

**University Examinations for 2019/2020 Academic Year**

**SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR**

**BACHELOR OF ARTS**

**APH 203: HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY (ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL)**

**DATE:**

**TIME:**

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

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS) (COMPULSORY)**

- a) What is the key issue of the pre-Socratic philosophers? (10 marks)
- b) Discuss the objectives of the sophists (10 marks)
- c) Elaborate the view that philosophy is the handmaiden of theology (10 marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Elaborate how the theory of forms by Plato influenced the Christian doctrines the

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

Demonstrate the indispensability of Aristotelian philosophy to St. Thomas Aquinas

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Using the views of Descartes, Erasmus and Luther show how the catholic church 'education' was viewed as indoctrinative

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

Is it the case that the science of the medieval period could not be separated from the authority of Aristotle and the church?