

MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2021/2022 Academic Year SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES FIRST YEAR SEMESTER TWO EXAMINATION FOR

MASTER OF ARTS IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

ARE 507: CONTINUITY AND CHANGE IN AFRICAN RELIGION AND CULTURE

DATE: 16/12/2021 TIME: 8:30 – 11:30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS.

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Define Liberation theology. (6 marks)
- b) Explain briefly the meaning of Civil Rights in United States of America. (6 marks)
- c) Discuss briefly the role played by Religious Right in cultural change. (6 marks)
- d) Discuss briefly areas that Christian /Islamic religion has affected belief systems in African traditional religion. (6 marks)
- e) Discuss briefly some of the distinctive modern religious drivers of change in the African traditional culture. (6 marks)

QUESTION TWO (15 MARKS)

Discuss some of the positive influences of Christian religion to traditional African culture.

QUESTION THREE (15 MARKS)

Discuss how modern religious activity in Africa has impacted African material culture in many traditions in Africa.

QUESTION FOUR (15 MARKS)

Discuss the syncretistic tendencies posed by African traditional religions to the practice of modern Christian faith in Africa.

QUESTION FIVE (15 MARKS)

Discuss the impact of Christianity on material culture in traditional African religion.