



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2020/2021 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

APRIL SESSION EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

BACHELOR OF ARTS (RELIGIOUS STUDIES)

ARE 410: WOMEN IN RELIGION.

DATE: 23/7/2021

TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM

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## INSTRUCTIONS:

**Answer Question One (Compulsory) and Any Other Two Questions**

1.
  - (a) Explain any five elements used to characterize modern religions. (5 marks)
  - (b) Critically analyze the role of women in church history. (5 marks)
  - (c) Explain any four laws on marriage and family in biblical times that favored men over women. (8 marks)
  - (d) Explain any six health consequences of female genital mutilation (FGM) on women. (12 marks)
2. Explain the function of African women in African traditional religion. (20 marks)
3. Describe the role of women in Christian theology. (20 marks)
4. Explain the efforts made by women of faith in achieving gender equality in Kenya today. (20 marks)
5. Explain the statement 'feminine should be the principle behind all cosmos' in relation to Rigveda in ancient texts of Hinduism. (20 marks)