



GARISSA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR TWO SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE: REL 224

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO WORLD RELIGIONS

EXAMINATION DURATION: 2 HOURS

DATE: 09/04/18

TIME: 08.00-11.00 AM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

- The examination has SIX (6) questions
- Question ONE (1) is COMPULSORY
- Choose any other THREE (3) questions from the remaining FIVE (5) questions
- Use sketch diagrams to illustrate your answer whenever necessary
- Do not carry mobile phones or any other written materials in examination room
- Do not write on this paper

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QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)

Give a brief assessment of the following phenomenological approaches in the study of religions.

- i. Theological [9 marks]
- ii. Psychological [8 marks]
- iii. Sociological [8 marks]

QUESTION TWO

Using examples from at least **three** religious traditions evaluate **five** dimensions of religion.

[15 marks]

QUESTION THREE

Demonstrate the importance of **five** key doctrines in Shintoism showing how they compare with indigenous African worldview.

[15 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

Evaluate the concepts of exclusivism and inclusivism within the context of a theology of religions.

[15 marks]

QUESTION FIVE

Critically analyze dialogue as a model for inter religious encounter.

[15 marks]

QUESTION SIX

Explain with examples from religious the meaning of any **THREE** of the following terms as used in religious studies.

- i. Pantheism [5 marks]
- ii. Dualism [5 marks]
- iii. Polytheism [5 marks]
- iv. Animism [5 marks]

