

GARISSA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR <u>ONE</u> <u>SECOND</u> SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE: THL 120

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO BIBLE

EXAMINATION DURATION: 3 HOURS

DATE: 06/04/18

TIME: 09.00-12.00 PM

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)

(a) Explore the development, structure and composition of the Bible.	[10 marks]
(b) Analyze a short overview of the Old Testament times.	[9 marks]
(c) Briefly elucidate the importance of the Bible.	[6 marks]

QUESTION TWO

Discuss the statement 'a study of the history of Israel enables a Biblical interpreter to understand the texts of the Old Testament.' [15 marks]

QUESTION THREE

(a) Evaluate the history of the Hebrew patriarchs and relate it to the history of Israel.	[9 marks]
(b) Briefly explain three steps of biblical criticism.	[6 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

Discuss four critical approaches to the study of the Old Testament. [15 marks]

QUESTION FIVE

Assess the development of the biblical scholarship. [15 marks]

QUESTION SIX

Analyze the history of Israel from the patriarchs to the invasion of Alexander the Great. [15 marks]