

## GARISSA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

(A Constituent College of Moi University)

# UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION 2016/2017 ACADEMIC YEAR ONE SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION

## SUPPLEMENTARY/SPECIAL EXAMINATION

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

**COURSE CODE: PRT 120** 

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO ETHICS

**EXAMINATION DURATION: 3 HOURS** 

DATE: 29/09/17 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

This paper consists of TWO (2) printed pages

please turn over

## QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)

a) Define Ethics (2marks)

**b)** What is the meaning of morality? (2marks)

c) Using examples, explain the ethical principle of *Double Effect* (8 marks)

**d**) Describe the ethical theory of *Egoism* (7 marks)

e) Aristotle explores the nature of virtue. According to Aristotle, what is virtue? Carefully explain the argument Aristotle offers in support of his answer. (6 marks)

#### **QUESTION TWO**

a) Discuss the merits and demerits of *consequentialism* as a theoretical basis for moral choice.

(8 marks)

b) Describe Immanuel Kants's theory of the Categorical Imperative (7marks)

## **QUESTION THREE**

a) Explain the difference between Acts of Man and Human Acts. Give appropriate examples

(8 marks)

b) How can the study of Ethics be of benefit for a student training to become a professional teacher of religious studies? (7marks)

#### **QUESTION FOUR**

- Explain the difference between Ethical relativism and Ethical absolutism (6 marks)
- b) Applying Ethical principles and theories, explain why abortion is a good or bad idea? ( 9 marks)

### **QUESTION FIVE**

- a) Discuss the habit of cheating in exams by university students. What is your **reasoned** stand on this matter? (8 marks)
- b) Should corruption in politics be dealt with more severely? What kinds of ethical standards are appropriate for those in greater power, in government or business? (8 marks)

## **QUESTION SIX**

- c) Is it morally right to discriminate among people because of dialect, when that mode of speech may not be understood by a significant portion of the community? (8 marks)
- **d)** Is it ethical for a government to take steps to control population growth (7 marks)

