



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations 2017/2018

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

BACHELOR OF ARTS

ARE 201: CRITICAL STUDY OF OLD TESTAMENT TEXTS

DATE: 6/12/2017

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One (Compulsory) And Any Other Two Questions

1. (a) Define the Old Testament Texts? (5 marks)
- (b) Explain the factors that influenced their writing (10 marks)
- (c) Examine the various critical scholastic methods in studying the Old Testament (15 marks)
2. (a) Discuss what makes understanding of Old Testament difficult. (10 marks)
- (b) Explain and trace the significance of the Sinaitic covenant. (10 marks)
3. Discuss the composition and Theological importance of the book of Genesis in the Bible. (20 marks)
4. (a) Differentiate between the early and classical prophets. (5 marks)
- (b) Evaluate the role of the prophets in shaping up Israel nationhood (15 marks)
5. (a) Analyze the authorship of the book of Psalms (10 marks)
- (b) Discuss the major Theological themes in the book of Psalms (10 marks)