



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
ARE 200: COMPARATIVE RELIGIONS
SUPPLEMENTARY/ SPECIAL EXAMINATION

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer questions ONE and any other TWO questions.

1. (a) Explain the importance of studying Comparative Religion **(10 marks)**
(b) All religions are related. Discuss. **(10 marks)**
(c) Define the following: Polytheism, Pantheism, Monotheism, Heirophany, Theophany. **(10 marks)**
2. (a) Describe the ten commandments in Christianity. **(10 marks)**
(b) Explain the five pillars of Islam. **(10 marks)**
3. (a) Discuss the Caste System among the Hindus **(10 marks)**.
(b) Explain the symbolic meaning of the Yin Yang symbol among the Taoists. **(10 marks)**
4. (a) explain the Four Noble Truths in Buddhist wisdom. **(10 marks)**
(b) Identify the Eight-Fold Path according to Buddhism **(10 marks)**
5. Discuss the beliefs and practice in Bahai Faith **(20 marks)**

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