



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

SUPPLEMENTALLY EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

RELIGIOUS STUDIES AND BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

ARE 201: CRITICAL STUDY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT TEXTS

DATE: SEP. 2019

TIME: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Questions ONE and any other TWO questions.

1. A) Discuss what makes understanding of Old Testament difficult. (10 marks)
(b) Explain the factors that influenced their writing (10 marks)
c) Discuss the structural organization of The Old Testament. (10mks)
2. (a) Differentiate between the early and classical prophets. (5 marks)
(b) Evaluate the role of the prophets in shaping up Israel nationhood (15 marks)
3. There are four assumptions in the interpretation of the Old Testament text. Discuss.
(20mks)
4. Discuss specific principles applicable in the interpretation of the prophecy as genre in the Old Testament text. (20mks)
5. Discuss the major Theological themes in the book of Psalms. (20mks)