



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT AND CURRICULUM STUDIES

FIRST YEAR SPECIAL/ SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR

DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION

EFN 0102: PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

DATE: 23/7/2019

TIME: 8.30-10.30 AM

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## INSTRUCTIONS

Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions

1.    a)    Explain the following terms as used in philosophy of education:
  - i.       pragmatism
  - ii.      value
  - iii.     metaphysics
  - iv.     intuitive knowledge
  - v.      inductive reasoning (10 marks)
- b)    With relevant examples, differentiate between ethics and aesthetics (4 marks)
- c)    Explain any two assumptions of the following theories of education:
  - i.       Perennialists (2 marks)
  - ii.      Progresivists (2 marks)
  - iii.     Essentialists (2 marks)
  - iv.     Reconstructionists (2 marks)
- d)    Explain the education implication of idealism school of thought. (8 marks)
2.    a)    Highlight five reasons why philosophy of education is important to the teacher. (10 marks)

- b) List and explain five functions of philosophy (10 marks)
- 3. a) Highlight the characteristics of deductive reasoning. (4 marks)
- b) Distinguish between formal and intellectual logic. (4 marks)
- c) Explain why it is important for trainee teachers to study logic. (12 marks)
- 4. Discuss the assumptions of Realists and explain how they could be used to enhance secondary school education in Kenya. (20 marks)
- 5. Discuss how education enhances acquisition of different types of knowledge. (20 marks)