



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2022/2023 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS

APH 201: HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY (ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL)

DATE: 11/4/2023

TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY TWO OTHER QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Using five examples, demonstrate the different concerns of philosophers in the pre-Socratic age and the Golden age of philosophy. (15 marks)
- a) Briefly discuss the nature of the problem of faith and reason. (15 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Give a brief description of each of the following schools of thought

- a) Epicureanism
- b) Stoicism
- c) Skepticism
- d) The Sophists

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Briefly assess the contribution of Socrates to the development of Western Philosophy .

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Discuss St. Aquinas' Five Ways for the existence of God.

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explicate how philosophy in the renaissance period deviates from the concerns of the medieval period. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss Anselm's ontological argument for the existence of God and discuss Gaunilo's critique of it. (10 marks)