

# **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

## REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

### SCHOOL OF ARTS HUMANIES SOCIAL SCIENCES AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

### **COURSE CODE: REL 2112-1 COURSE TITLE: HISTORY OF RELIGION 1**

DATE: 13TH DECEMBER, 2022

TIME: 1430-1630

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES** 

Answer question ONE and any other TWO.

- Discuss the historical roots of the following two Religions as Reform Movements:

   a) Sikhism
   b) Jainism
   (10 marks)
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- Demonstrate the impact of Mahatma Gandhi on development and change in modern Hinduism and other Religions and societies around the world (15 marks)

#### 3. EITHER

a) Using specific and relevant examples, discuss the historical interaction between Christianity and African Traditional religion (15 marks)

#### OR

Expound on the apparent similarities between the emergence of CASTE in Hinduism and the development of Apartheid in South Africa.

(15 marks)

- 4. Sikhism is one of the most syncretistic of all religions. Explain with relevant illustrations. (**15 marks**).
- 5. The teachings of Buddha and those of Jesus Christ are radically opposed to each other. Yet there are some Buddhist concepts that can contribute to a better understanding of Christian beliefs. Do you agree or not? Explain with relevant examples (**15 marks**).

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