



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2022/ 2023 ACADEMIC YEAR

FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS

COURSE CODE: REL 4139

COURSE TITLE: NEW RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS

DATE: 13TH DECEMBER, 2022

TIME: 1100-1300

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

This paper consists of TWO printed pages. Please turn over.

SECTION A: THIS SECTION CONTAINS 20 MARKS (MANDATORY SECTION)

QUESTION ONE

Discuss how Rodney Stark and William Bainbridge (1987) as proponents of the Theory of Religion conceptualized the term “New Religious Movements”

(30 Marks)

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION

QUESTION TWO

The extreme influx of New Religious Movements in Kenya is as a result of Kenya being a “**MULTI RELIGIOUS SOCIETY**”. Discuss

(20 Marks)

QUESTION THREE

Using relevant examples, discuss the extent to which NEW RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS established from Islam contributed to the development of African Societies.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR

Examine the extent to which the characteristics of New Religious Movements distinguish them from other world mainstream religions.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Discuss the doctrinal discrepancies in the teachings and practices observed by the Legion Maria religious group founded by Messiah Ondeto Simeon in relation to the Christian Teachings particularly Roman Catholic

(20Marks)

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