



# **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS  
2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR  
SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, SOCIAL  
SCIENCES & CREATIVE INDUSTRIES  
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)**

**COURSE CODE: REL 2219-1**

**COURSE TITLE: HISTORY OF RELIGION II**

**DATE: 16/4/2024**

**TIME: 0830-1030 HRS**

---

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Question **ONE** is compulsory  
Answer any other **TWO** questions

1. Discuss the similarities and differences between Christianity and any TWO of the following religions, in terms of origins, beliefs and impact:
  - a) Shintoism (5 marks)
  - b) Taoism (5marks)
  - c) Zoroastrianism (5marks)
  - d) Confucianism (5marks)
  
2. Many Christians are frustrated by the fact that most Jewish People rejected and continue to reject Christianity. Discuss FIVE reasons behind this puzzling phenomenon (15 marks).
  
3. “The Taoist wisdom of Lao-tzu and Chuang-tzu, provides profound insights into the ironies and paradoxes of human existence that the Bible also reveals.” (Gerald McDermott). Expound on that statement with relevant illustrations. (15 marks)  
**EITHER**
4. a) Discuss the significance of the MIRAJ and KABAH and their impact on the relationships between Muslims and Jews today (15 marks)  
**OR**  
b) The difference between the CROSS and the HIJRAH has specific and practical implications for Christians and Muslims today. Explain with appropriate examples (15 marks)
  
5. Discuss the meaning of any THREE the following religious concepts, and their impact on the contemporary lives of millions of Chinese people:
  - a) YIN YANG (5 marks)
  - b) WU WEI (5 marks)
  - c) LI (5 marks)
  - d) SHU (5 marks)
  - e) PAN KU (5 marks)

**//END//**