



SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

**SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER 2019 END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION
REGULAR PROGRAMME**

**EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)
RER 210: INTRODUCTION TO BIBLICAL STUDIES**

INSTRUCTOR: MARGARET MUHIA

DATE: _____

TIME: 2 HOURS

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Students are NOT permitted to write on the examination paper during reading time.

This is a closed book examination. Text books/reference books/notes are not permitted.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Write your ADMISSION NUMBER clearly on the cover of the answer booklet(s).**
- 2. Answer Question ONE and ANY OTHER TWO questions.**
- 3. Questions in all sections should be answered in answer booklet(s).**
- 4. Marks allocated to each question are shown at the end of the question.**
- 5. PLEASE start the answer to EACH question on a NEW PAGE.**
- 6. Indicate the number of the questions answered on the cover of the answer booklet(s) in the order you answered them.**
- 7. Write your answers in paragraph form unless stated otherwise.**
- 8. Keep your phone(s) SWITCHED OFF at the front of the examination room.**
- 9. Keep ALL bags and caps at the front of the examination room and do not refer to any unauthorized material before or during the course of the examination.**
- 10. You are only allowed to leave the examination room 30 minutes to the end of the Examination.**

QUESTION ONE: COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)

- a) List SIX different English Bible translations. (6 marks)
- b) Explain the following concepts;
- i. Inspiration (2 marks)
 - ii. Canonization (2 marks)
 - iii. Revelation (2 marks)
 - iv. Pseudepigrapha (2 marks)
- c) Describe THREE categories of general revelation. (6 marks)
- d) Analyze THREE reasons why the Apocrypha were not accepted in the Canon as Holy Scriptures. (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Discuss FOUR false views of Bible inspiration. (10 marks)
- b) Analyze THREE principles of Bible interpretation. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Evaluate THREE factors that led to the expansion of the church after the ascension of Jesus. (10 marks)
- b) Assess FOUR reasons why the Bible is more than just a moral book. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Examine FOUR characteristics that marked the moral world of the New Testament. (10 marks)
- b) Evaluate THREE reasons why the New Testament Canon was compiled in the early church era. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Examine THREE types of writing materials in the Bible times. Cite examples. (10 marks)
- b) Analyze THREE tools for interpreting the Bible. (10 marks)