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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE
4TH YEAR 1ST SEMESTER 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR
MA in RELIGION**

MAIN CAMPUS-SCHOOL BASED

COURSE CODE: ARE 803

COURSE TITLE: PHENOMENOLOGY OF RELIGION

EXAM VENUE:

STREAM: (BED)

DATE:

EXAM SESSION:

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Answer Question ONE (COMPULSORY) and ANY other 2 questions**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

Q1. How is Phenomenology an antidote to both Theological and Scientific reductionism? (20 Marks).

Q2. Discuss the meaning and place of Hermeneutics within the context of phenomenological method. (20 Marks)

Q3. With the use of relevant examples, differentiate myths from rituals and show their relationship. (20 Marks).

Q4. Critique the claim that indigenous religions are inferior to religions with documented scripture. (20 Marks).

Q5. (a). Discuss James Cox's phenomenological definition of religion. (10 marks)

(b) Demonstrate how such a phenomenological definition is preferred over other forms of definitions of religion studied in this course. (20 Marks).