



# **MASENO UNIVERSITY**

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2012/2013**

**SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS  
FOR THE DEGREES OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN  
SOCIOLOGY & ANTHROPOLOGY WITH INFORMATION  
TECHNOLOGY  
(MAIN CAMPUS)**

**ASA 209: MODERNISM AND TRADITIONAL  
BELIEF SYSTEMS**

**ASA 209: MODERNISM AND TRADITIONAL BELIEF SYTEMS**

**2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**REGULAR PROGRAMME**

**Answer any THREE questions.**

1. Discuss the concept of modernism and illustrate its impact on people's traditional belief systems. (23.3 marks)
2. Using examples, discuss the different theories postulated to account for the origin of religion. (23.3 marks)
3. Discuss the rituals and ceremonies done to appease the gods in a society of your choice. (23.3 marks)
4. Analyse the different ways through which supernatural beings were manifested in earlier societies. (23.3 marks)
5. "Religion is the opium of the poor". Discuss this statement using examples. (23.3 marks)
6. Discuss the following concepts:-
  - a. Animism; (11 marks)
  - b. *Nyawawa*; and (6.3 marks)
  - c. *Teroburu*. (6 marks)