



MASENO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2013/2014

**SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE
DEGREE BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS) WITH INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY
(MAIN CAMPUS)**

ARE 209: HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY I

Date: 1st April, 2014

Time: 11.15am - 1.30pm

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer any THREE questions.



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Instructions: Answer any **three** questions.

1. Discuss the prevailing social and religious conditions that facilitated the establishment of Christianity in the early church.
2. Outline the significance of the impact of the following heresies in the Christian thought during the first four centuries:
 - (a) Gnosticism
 - (b) Arianism
 - (c) Marcionism
 - (d) Montanism
 - (e) Donatism
3. Establish the reasons and impact of Christian persecution in the first three centuries.
4. The church fathers played a critical role in the theology of church and state. Using examples, show the relevance of their teaching for the church today.
5. Monasticism was a powerful spiritual and evangelistic movement in church for over a thousand years. Discuss.
6. Explore the conditions that facilitated the setting for reformation during the late medieval period.