



MASENO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2013/2014

**SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR
THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)
WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(HOMA BAY CAMPUS - SCHOOL BASED)**

ARE 207: ETHICS I

Date: 28th August, 2014

Time: 2.00 - 4.00 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer ANY THREE questions.



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1. Assess the significance to ethical thinking of Socrates statement that “an unexamined life is not worth living”.
- 2(a) Describe and analyse Aristotle’s view of happiness and its central place in morality.
 - (b) With at least 4 specific examples, define Aristotle’s concept of virtue and state its significance to happiness.
3. Critically analyse the following!; (a) Hedonism; (b) Epicurean hedonism; (c) Psychological hedonism; (d) Ethical hedonism.
4. Evaluate the accuracy of the following statement, “The ancient Stoics are often misunderstood because the word ‘stoic’ has come to mean ‘unemotional’ or indifferent to pain, since Stoic ethics taught freedom from ‘passion’ by following ‘reason’”.
5. Critically compare and contrast, Aristotle’s view that the only good thing without qualification is ‘*happiness*’ with Immanuel Kant’s position that the only good thing without qualification is a ‘*good will*’.
6. With at least 3 concrete examples, discuss the relevance to social and political reform in Kenya of Jeremy Bentham’s utilitarian position of “doing that which brings the greatest good to the greatest number”