



MASENO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2013/2014

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

ARE 201: PHENOMENOLOGY OF RELIGION

Date: 25th November, 2013

Time: 8.30 - 10.30 a.m.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Answer ANY THREE questions.**

ARE 201: Phenomenology of Religion (Main CAMPUS-REGULAR)

Instructions: Answer any THREE Questions

1. Phenomenology is a descriptive theory of knowledge. Discuss in light of phenomenology of religion.
2. Evaluate the function of *epoche* in a religious celebration pointing out its strengths and limitations.
3. Explore the meaning of constructing the paradigmatic model in the study of a religious phenomenon.
4. Phenomenological method chiefly examines the role of the subjective observer in apprehending the objective world. Evaluate that assertion in light of limitations of phenomenology of religion.
5. Otto Rudolf (1869-1937) held that human beings have a special faculty of genuinely recognizing the holy in its appearances, a faculty that he termed "divination" Discuss in light of hierophanies and theophanies.
6. Assess phenomenology of religion as advanced by Gerardus Van der Leeuw pointing out his weakness and strengths.