



EMBU UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

(A Constituent College of the University of Nairobi)

2014/2015 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
ARTS**

TPR 104: PHENOMENOLOGY OF RELIGION

DATE: DECEMBER 7, 2015

TIME: 14:00-16:00

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question ONE and ANY Other TWO Questions.

QUESTION ONE

- a) Outline the meaning of the term Phenomenology (5 marks).
- b) Explain and critique Van Der Leeuw's approach to Phenomenology (5 Marks)
- c) Distinguish Myth from reality (5 Marks)
- d) Differentiate the sacred from the profane (5 marks)
- e) Define the term Religious experience (5 Marks)
- f) What is totemism? (5 Marks)

QUESTION TWO

Discuss the sacred, focusing on its meaning, characteristics and functions (20 Marks).

QUESTION THREE

Discuss the relationship between emotions and Religious experience (20 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR

Critically examine the relevance of Ninian Smart's Dimensions of Religion (20 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Select any common form of religious praxis (e.g., prayer, meditation, fasting, pilgrimage) and compare and contrast a specific instance of this practice as found in three different religious traditions (20 marks)

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