

MASENO UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2017/2018

FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS PHILOSOPHY WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

MAIN CAMPUS

APH 409: REALISM

Date 19th February, 2018

Time: 3.30 - 6.30pm

INSTRUCTIONS:

• Answer ANY THREE Questions. All questions carry equal marks

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- 1. Validate the claim that realism is the view that entities have objective reality.[23.5mks]
- 2. Trace the origin of realism to the philosophies of Thales and Heraclitus.[23.5mks]
- 3. "Platonic realism is the view that universals exist." Discuss. [23.5mks]
- 4. Discuss David Lewis' view that possible worlds are just as real as the actual world we live in. [23.5mks]
- 5. Citing relevant examples show what moral realism is. [23.5mks]
- 6. In your own view, explain the concept "Realism" and how significant it is in Philosophy. [23.5mks]