



**MASENO UNIVERSITY**

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2017/2018**

**SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR  
THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN  
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE WITH INFORMATION  
TECHNOLOGY**

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**MAIN CAMPUS**

**NES 204: ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS**

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2018

Time: 12.00 - 3.00pm

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer Question ONE and any other TWO.



1. Write short notes on the following, showing their relevance to improvement of environmental condition;
  - a) Ethical dilemma [6 Marks]
  - b) Custom as Authority in moral judgement [6 Marks]
  - c) Role of meta-ethics [6 Marks]
  - d) Norms of environmental quality standards [6 Marks]
  - e) Religious beliefs and world view
2. Explain why the duration and quality of life of human beings are an important consideration in natural resource management. [20 Marks]
3. To achieve sustainable environmental management for years to come 'Self limitation' is viewed as the wisest approach. Discuss this thinking using a relevant example. [20 Marks]
4. Explain:
  - a. The shortcomings of the Liberal view and the Feminist beliefs in achieving a greater quality of the environment. [8 Marks]
  - b. Conscience as Authority in moral judgement [6 Marks]
  - c. Why Philosophies and belief systems are sources of environmental ethics [6 Marks]
5. a) What is meant by the term environmental impunity? [10 Marks]  
b) Give examples where this concept of environmental impunity is most apparent in natural resource governance in Kenya. [10 Marks]