



GARISSA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR TWO SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE: REL 223

COURSE TITLE: ISLAMIC LAW AND JURISPRUDENCE

EXAMINATION DURATION: 3 HOURS

DATE: 09/04/18

TIME: 3.00-6.00 PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

- The examination has SIX (6) questions
- Question ONE (1) is COMPULSORY
- Choose any other THREE (3) questions from the remaining FIVE (5) questions
- Use sketch diagrams to illustrate your answer whenever necessary
- Do not carry mobile phones or any other written materials in examination room
- Do not write on this paper

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QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)

- (a) Describe the Jahiliyah laws on the treatment of women. [5 marks]
- (b) Briefly discuss **four** sources of Islamic Shariah. [10 marks]
- (c) Explain **five** differences between Islamic Shariah and Secular Law. [10 marks]

QUESTION TWO

- (a) Discuss the **five** basic human rights that have been protected in Islamic Shariah. [10 marks]
- (b) Describe the qualities of a mujtahid. [5 marks]

QUESTION THREE

- (a) Give the rationale for the emergence of the various Schools of Thought (madhahib) [7 marks]
- (b) Explain **eight** reasons why some Muslims prefer secular law than the Islamic Shariah. [8 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

- (a) Explain why hadith is considered the second source of Islamic Shariah. [5 marks]
- (b) Giving examples, explain the following terms:
 - i. Fardh-ayn [2 marks]
 - ii. Fardh-kifayah [2 marks]
 - iii. Sunnah [2 marks]
 - iv. Haram [2 marks]
 - v. Makruh [2 marks]

QUESTION FIVE

- (a) Discuss **five** qualifications of a Muslim judge (Qadhi) in the administration of Islamic legal issues. [5 marks]
- (b) Islamic laws have protected the rights of women. Discuss. [10 marks]

QUESTION SIX

- Explain the term fiqh and trace its evolution. [15 marks]

