



MASENO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2016/2017

**SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ANTHROPOLOGY
WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

MAIN CAMPUS

**ASA 203: HISTORY OF ANTHROPOLOGICAL
THOUGHT**

Date: 10th December, 2016

Time: 8.30 - 11.30 am

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer ANY THREE questions.



**ASA 203: HISTORY OF ANTHROPOLOGICAL THOUGHT
(REGULAR, MASENO MAIN CAMPUS)
Answer any THREE questions**

1. Explain the role of the Age of Exploration, Enlightenment and Evolutionist thought in shaping the origin and growth of anthropology as an academic discipline. (23.3 marks)
2. Discuss the contribution of Edward B. Tylor and Henry Lewis Morgan to anthropological theory and explain the weaknesses of their respective approaches. (23.3 marks)
3. Outline the main tenets of diffusionism and clarify how it differs from historical particularism and acculturation. (23.3 marks)
4. Discuss the reasons for why functionalism positively and negatively dominated the anthropological landscape during 1900s. (23.3 marks)
5. Explain the methodologies that were advanced by postmodernists and examine how their critique has improved anthropological practice. (23.3 marks)
6. Examine the significance of structuralism in shaping anthropological thought. (23.3 marks)