



MASEÑO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2013/2014

**SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS WITH INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY
(MAIN CAMPUS)**

APH 201: MORAL PHILOSOPHY

Date: 25th November, 2013

Time: 8.30 - 10.30 a.m.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Answer ANY THREE questions.**

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1. (a) Briefly discuss the following two statements of Socrates: (i) “an unexamined life is not worth living”; and (ii) “virtue is sufficient for happiness”.
- (b) What is the relevance of Socrates today as a social and moral critic?
2. (a) Explain the intrinsic good for evaluation of human conduct in Aristotle’s Nichomachean ethics?
- (b) Define virtue and explain its role according to Aristotle!
- (c) Briefly define at least 4 cardinal virtues identified by Aristotle!
3. (a) Explain the meaning of hedonism!
- (b) Describe Epicurean hedonism and show how it differs from the hedonism of “over-indulgence”!
- (c) Briefly define: (i) psychological hedonism; (ii) ethical hedonism.
4. (a) Demonstrate what stoicism means by it being “virtuous to maintain a will that is in accord with nature”!
- (b) Illustrate what it means in cynicism to “live a life of virtue in accordance with nature”!
5. Illustrate what Immanuel Kant meant by the following!
 - (a) The good will as the only thing good without qualification;
 - (b) Duty as respect for lawfulness;

(c) The categorical imperative and the universal law of nature.

6. (a) Define the general view of utilitarianism and its similarities with Epicureanism!

(b) Briefly state the utilitarian views of Jeremy Bentham and John Stuart Mill.

(c) Show the relevance of utilitarianism to the creation of policy and laws!