

MASENO UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2015/2016

THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS AND BACHELOR OF EDUCATION WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

MAIN CAMPUS

ARE 312: ETHICS II

Date: 25th April, 2016

Time: 2.30 - 4.30 pm

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer ANY THREE questions.

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- Why is it an important assumption for morality that humans are free rather than determined? Discuss in relation to the positions of Holbach and Taylor.
- 2. Are ethics really relative as anthropologist Ruth Benedict would have us believe?
- (a) Explain the meanings of psychological egoism, psychological hedonism, ethical egoism, and ethical hedonism
 - (b) Assess Rachel's' arguments against psychological and ethical egoism.
- 4. Explain Aristotle's conceptions of happiness and virtue.
- 5. For Immanuel Kant's "duty or obligation is prior to happiness". Critically discuss.
- 6. Describe and assess the following:
 - (a) existentialist ethics according to Sartre.
 - (b) feminist ethics according to Grimshaw.