



UNIVERSITY OF EMBU

2016/2017 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION

**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
SCIENCE IN HORTICULTURE, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION AND EXTENSION AND AGRICULTURE**

AEM 103: ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS

DATE: DECEMBER 8, 2016

TIME: 11:00AM-1:00PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question ONE and ANY Other TWO Questions.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain the following terms as used in environmental ethics (16 marks)
- i) Moral agents
 - ii) Moral standing
 - iii) Sentience
 - iv) Pathocentrism
- b) Explain the evolution of the discipline of Environmental Ethics. (6 marks)
- c) Outline the 6 levels of concern in Environmental Ethics. (6 marks)
- d) Explain the concept of “ahimsa” in Hinduism. (2 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Outline and briefly explain the 4 major ethical positions in Environmental Ethics. (8 marks)
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- b) A large-scale manufacturer of writing materials wants to establish a factory on the edges of the Aberdares Forest. What ethical reflections should be taken into consideration by this company before the commencement of the business?

(12 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Discuss the five historical stages of Environmental Ethics.

(20 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Drawing on appropriate examples, discuss the concept of anthropocentrism and its role in Environmental Ethics.

(20 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Discuss the environmental ethical perspectives of any three main religious groupings.

(20 marks)

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