

**CHUKA**



**UNIVERSITY**

**SUPPLEMENTARY / SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS**

**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF BACHELOR DEGREE IN  
EDUCATION (ARTS)**

**RELI 100: INRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF RELIGION**

**STREAMS:**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 17/11/2020**

**5.00 P.M - 7.00 P.M.**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer all the questions in Section A and any other two in Section B

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**SECTION A**

- 1 a) Explain briefly what the term phenomenology of religion mean. (5Marks)  
b) Highlight the problems associated with the study of religion as an academic discipline (5 Marks)  
c) State the significant characteristics of religion as a phenomena in the society.  
d) Explain the social psychological and economic role of religion in society. (5 Marks)  
e) Contrast between the traditional and Phenomenological approaches in the study of religion. (5 Marks)  
f) Describe the significant value of religious symbols. (5Marks)

**SECTION B**

2. Explain the theories that explain the origin of religion citing possible criticism of each theory. (20 Marks).

3. Identify and discuss the prevailing religious schools of thought. Which of these schools appeals to you and why ? (20 Marks).

4. Discuss the areas of dialogue on one hand and areas of conflict between science and religion. (20 Marks).

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