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MAIN EXAMINATION, MAY 2019

TITLE OF PAPER: Religion, Culture and Identity

COURSE CODE

: TRS 224

DURATION

: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Answer three (3) questions in all.

2. Write in clear, grammatically correct sentences.

3. Each Question carries 20 marks.

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Question 1

What factors render religion a difficult phenomenon to define? [20]

Question 2

Drawing examples from your own religion or one you are familiar with, state ways in which religion can shape one's identity. [20]

Question 3

Giving examples from your own culture, show how the rites of passage contribute to identity formation in African societies [20]

Question 4

What, in your opinion, has emerged as the relationship between culture and religion in relation to identity development? Give examples to illustrate your points [20]

Question 5

Drawing examples from your own university, give ways in which universities influence identity formation [20]

Question 6

In your opinion, should the society accept all forms of sexual identities? Explain. [20]