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## 2017 / 2018 B. A. First Semester Examinations

Course code: UGRC 234

Course Title: Philosophy in African Cultures

Number of credits: 3 Credits

**Instructions:** Answer three (3) questions in the answer booklet. Marks will be awarded for orderly presentation of material, clarity of expression and clear handwriting. Poor expression and bad handwriting will be penalised.

Time allowed: 2 Hours

- 1. Compare and contrast the following two statements and show the situations that led to their formulation: "Man is a rational animal", and "All men are rational animals."
- 2. Using illness and disease as examples, explain the African concept of causality.
- 3. a). What is philosophy?
  - b). Discuss the notion that "Africans do not have philosophy."
- 4. Name and explain in detail the main trends of African philosophy as discussed in class.
- 5. "Why be morally good?" According to Segun Gbadagesin, "it will pay you." Discuss briefly this position of Segun Gbadagesin in relation to any two suggested sources and foundations of morality in traditional African thought.

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