

**Uganda Martyrs University**  
**School of Arts and Social Sciences**

**Program: Master of Humanitarian Assistance**

**Module: 5101 - Humanitarian Action in Complex Emergencies**

**Final Assessment**

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**Duration: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

***Instructions***

- 1. Answer three questions (3) in all, including Question 1, which is compulsory!***
- 2. Write in clear and grammatically sound English.***
- 3. Any form of examination malpractice will be strictly dealt with according to the examination regulations of UMU.***

**Question 1 [40 marks]**

- a. Define and explain the phenomenon of Complex Emergencies, and their main causes. (12 marks)**
- b. Describe and discuss a typical response (humanitarian action) to a complex emergency, giving relevant examples. (12 marks)**
- c. Construct a critical discussion about any four dilemmas that humanitarian workers face in their response to Complex Emergencies. (16 marks)**

**Question 2 [30 marks]**

- a. Present and discuss the guiding principles of humanitarian actors. (12 marks)**
- b. Construct a critical evaluation the above principles in a real context of a humanitarian emergency, from the perspective of the recipients of humanitarian action, as well as from the perspective of the humanitarian actors. (18 marks)**

**Question 3 [30 marks]**

- a. Present a critical discussion of the role of the media in Complex emergencies, giving examples, where necessary. **(12 marks)**
- b. Discuss the main forms of humanitarian aid that are offered in complex emergencies and make an intelligent response to some of the dilemmas that come with such aid. **(18 marks)**

**Question 4 [30 marks]**

The Just War Theory provides guidance for humanitarian (military) intervention in complex emergencies.

- a. Explain and discuss the three categories of principles that constitute the Just War Theory. **(15 marks)**
- b. With examples, present a critical discussion of underlying causes of success or failure in humanitarian intervention. **(15 marks)**

**Question 5 [30 marks]**

- a. Briefly trace the development of the Doctrine of the Responsibility to Protect (R2P). **(8 marks)**
- b. Define the four major crimes that the R2P is meant to protect people from, i.e. genocide, ethnic cleansing, war crimes, and crimes against humanity. **(8 marks)**
- c. Do you think the R2P is actually effective when it contradicts the principle of sovereignty? Explain with any relevant examples. **(14 marks)**