

## OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL ACADEMICS, RESEARCH AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

# UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR

THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER REGULAR-MAIN **EXAMINATION** 

# FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF **EDUCATION ARTS**

**COURSE CODE: ENG 314** 

COURSE TITLE: ENGLISH SEMANTICS AND PRAGMATICS

DATE: 19TH DECEMBER, 2022

TIME: 9 AM-12 PM

# INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

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#### STREAM: BED (Arts)

Time: 3 hours

# **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- i) Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions.
- ii) Do not write on the question paper

#### **Question One**

- a) Distinguish between semantics and Pragmatics (at least FOUR) (4mks)
- b) Using appropriate examples discuss different types of Meaning (10mks)
- c) Explain the relationship between semantics and other disciplines (10mks)
- d) Examine the Cooperative Principle as proposed by Grice(4mks)

#### Question Two

- a) Explain the FOUR semantic categories (8mks)
- b) Using Componential Analysis, analyze the following words (12mks)
  - i) Mother
  - ii) Adolescent
  - iii) man
  - iv) Daughter

#### Question Three

- a) As a practicing teacher of English, discuss the importance of studying Semantics and Pragmatics (8mks)
- b) Explain any SIX types of Semantic Relations

(12mks)

# **Question Four**

- a) Discuss the various types of implicature (9mks)
- b) Classify the texts below (on the basis of implicature) and interpret the implied meaning in them (5mks)

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- i) Husband: How much longer will you be?
   Wife: Mix yourself a drink.
- ii) Even Ken knows it's unethical.
- iii) What on earth has happened to the roast beef?
- c) Distinguish between Presupposition and entailment as used in Pragmatics. Give appropriate

  (6mks)

### Question Five

a) Briefly discuss the Speech Act Theory (12mks)

b) Explain the concept of Deixis in Pragmatics