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## **UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

## 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER REGULAR SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

**COURSE CODE: LIN420** 

COURSE TITLE: DISCOURSE ANALYSIS

DATE: 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2020

TIME: 2:00 – 5:00 PM

### **INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES**

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#### REGULAR- SPECIAL/ SUPPLEMENTARY

#### LIN420: DISCOURSE ANALYSIS.

#### STREAM: B.ED (ARTS)

**DURATION: 3 HOURS** 

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions.

#### **Question One:**

a. Provide a comprehensive definition of the term Discourse Analysis.

7 Marks)

b. Identify and explain the conversational maxim flouted in each of the following exchanges.

(8 Marks)

i. A: How much did that dress cost?

B: You know depending on where the dress was made can be cheap or expensive. I have always insisted on knowing the designer before purchasing anything. This one was cheaper than the one I bought last time.

- ii. A: Did you buy milk and bread?
  - B: It rained heavily.
- iii. A: Who was making noise in class?
  - B: I guess it was Mary.
- iv. A: Have you seen Jimmy?
  - B: His class started an hour ago.
- c. Discuss any five broad functions of language and give an appropriate example of each.

(15 Marks)

#### **Question Two:**

a. Hymes (1972) identifies what he calls "Features of context." Identify and explain any **four** such features with close reference to a recent impeachment process in the Kenyan Senate.

(8 Marks)

b. Halliday and Hassan provide a guide on how we analyze spoken discourse. Discuss any **four** cohesive relations they advance. (12 Marks)

#### **Question Three:**

a. Evaluate Austin's (1962) *Speech Act* theory as it applies to communication.

(10 Marks)

- b. Explain the following terms used in Discourse Analysis giving an example of each:
  - i) Theme and Rheme

(5 Marks)

ii) Turn taking.

(5 Marks)

#### uestion Four:

- 1. Differentiate between *discourse* and *text* by providing an appropriate example of each. (8 Marks)
- b. Distinguish between a sentential topic and a discourse topic. (6 Marks)
- c. Explain the term *adjacency pairs* as used in Discourse Analysis and provide any **two** illustrations of this. (6 Marks)

#### **Question Five:**



a. Distinguish between written and spoken discourse as used in Discourse Analysis.

(10 Marks)

 Assess the significance of the **five** analytical categories of classroom discourse as advanced by the Birmingham School. (10 Marks)

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