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### UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF BACHELOR'S DEGREE WITH IT

# 1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR MAIN CAMPUS PART-TIME PROGRAMME INSTITUTIONAL BASED

**COURSE CODE: AEN 102** 

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS

DATE: 23/08/19 EXAMS SESSION: 3.00 – 5.00PM

**TIME: 2 HOURS** 

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

Answer three questions. Question one is compulsory

Answer any other two questions

#### **Question One: Compulsory (30 Marks)**

- a) "Human language differs from animal languages" Discuss the validity of this statement (15 Marks).
- b) Discuss any five objectives of linguistic study (15 Marks).

#### Question Two (20 Marks)

Discuss the three parameters for the description of consonant sounds. Use examples (20 Marks).

#### **Question Three (20 Marks)**

With relevant examples, differentiate the following branches of linguistics:

- a) Phonology and phonetics
- b) Morphology and Syntax
- c) Semantics and pragmatics

#### **Question Four (20 Marks)**

Discuss the contributions of the following linguists to the field of linguistics (20 Marks)

- i. Ferdinand de Saussure
- ii. Noam Chomsky

#### **Question Five (20 Marks)**

Based on the Chomsky's Universal Grammar (UG) theory, discuss the view that all natural languages share common properties (20 Marks).