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UNIVERSITY SUPPLEMENTARY/SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS.

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTER OF  
EDUCATION (ARTS)

ENGL 834: DISCOURSE ANALYSIS

STREAMS: MA (LINGUISTICS) Y1S2 SB

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 5/12/2018

8.30 A.M -11.30 A.M

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer any **FOUR** Questions
- Do not write anything on the question paper

1. The structure and function of language are closely related and should be treated as such. Discuss this assertion critically. [15 Marks]
  2. Critically discuss the co-operative principle by Grice. [15 Marks]
  3. With examples, discuss various speech acts by John Searle. [15 Marks]
  4. Discuss specific features of language that would indicate ideological bias-according to Critical Discourse Analysis. [15 Marks]
  5. Context is key in the pragmatics of language. Discuss various contexts and show how they influence discourse. [15 Marks]
  6. Discuss the major issues in one of the following approaches to discourse analysis. [15 Marks]
    - (a) Conversation Analysis
    - (b) Relevance Theory
    - (c) Interactional Sociolinguistics
    - (d) Ethnography of communication
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