

CHUKA



UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
ARTS**

ENGL 221: PHONOLOGY OF ENGLISH

STREAMS: B.ED (ARTS)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 07/08/2018

11.30 A.M. – 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Question ONE 1 compulsory.**
- **Answer THREE questions in all.**
- **All answers should be illustrated with relevant examples.**

1. Explain the meaning of the following phonological concepts.
 - (i) Complimentary distribution. (5 marks)
 - (ii) Narrow phonetic transcription. (5 marks)
 - (iii) Broad phonetic transcription. (5 marks)
 - (iv) Syllabic consonants. (5 marks)
 - (v) Allophone. (5 marks)
2. Using Chomsky and Halle distinctive feature theory, describe the cavity features. (20 marks)
3. Discuss the phoneme as a:
 - (i) Phonological reality. (10 marks)
 - (ii) Psychological reality. (10 marks)

4. Giving at least one example in a rule formalism, discuss the following phonological process:
- (i) Assimilation rules. (10 marks)
 - (ii) Segment insertion and deletion rules. (10 marks)
5. Discuss the English syllable structure using the following words as your point of reference.
- (i) mm (5 marks)
 - (ii) more (5 marks)
 - (iii) ease (5 marks)
 - (iv) fill (5 marks)
-