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

**ENGL 321: DISCOURSE ANALYSIS**

**STREAMS: BED ARTS**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 04/12/2018**

**2.30 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- **Answer three questions. Question one is compulsory.**

1. (a) Discuss what you understand by the term: “Discourse” (12 marks)  
(b) Distinguish between “discourse” and “units within the sentence” (8 marks)  
(c) Discuss the fundamental properties of discourse. (10 marks)
  2. (a) Using appropriate examples, discuss discourse functions. (10 marks)  
(b) Explain the differences between written and spoken discourse. (10 marks)
  3. With relevant illustrations, explain Grice’s Maxims of conversational analysis and show how these can be flouted. (20 marks)
  4. With relevant illustrations describe the features of context in which a discourse may occur. (20 marks)
  5. Using relevant illustrations, discuss the three types of ACTS that an utterance can perform according to the speech act theory. (20 marks)
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