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# EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF BACHELOR IN EDUCATION (ARTS)

# LITT 101: INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE AND LITERARY CRITICISM

STREAM:

TIME: 2 HOURS

#### DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 9/04/2020

11.30 A.M - 1.30 P.M.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

Answer Question One and any Other Two.

- 1. As a literary critic, identify the key genres you have studied in this unit and the key elements you will focus on during criticism. [30 Marks]
- 2. Criticism has sometimes elicited different reactions which sometimes leads to heated exchanges between scholars holding different views. In your opinion, what value does criticism bring to literature. [20 Marks]
- Critical response to literature is recognition that literature plays a significance role in the society. Assess the important role literature plays in society. Use any relevant texts that you have studied in this unit. [20 Marks]
- Critics cannot analyse a text in isolation but must consider the social, political and cultural aspects of the society the text evolves from. Critically assess this statement using any texts you have studied in this unit. [20 Marks]
- 5. Criticism is an art. Validate this assertion accessing the key qualities of a good critic. [20 Marks]

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