

**CHUKA**



**UNIVERSITY**

**SUPPLEMENTARY / SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS**

**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF BACHELOR DEGREE IN  
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)**

**ENGL 211: SOCIOLINGUISTICS**

**STREAMS:**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 18/11/2020**

**5.00 P.M - 7.00 P.M.**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer **THREE** questions in all: Question **ONE** is compulsory.

1. a) Discuss the characteristics of a speech community (10marks)  
b) Show how individual speakers vary their language (20marks)
2. With illustrations, explain the meaning of the following concepts in sociolinguistics:
  - i. Dialect (10marks)
  - ii. Code –mixing (10marks)
3. Respond to the statement ‘Men and women use language differently’ (20 marks)
4. Highlight six factors that have contributed towards Kenya being a multilingual country. (20marks)
5. ‘Bilingualism varies along three major dimensions.’ Discuss this statement. (20marks)

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