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## **CHOGORIA CAMPUS**

# FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS

#### ENGL 834: DISCOURSE ANALYSIS

STREAMS: MA (ENGL)

#### **TIME: 3 HOURS**

[15 Marks]

2.30 PM - 5.30PM

#### DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 8/4/2021

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer ANY FOUR Questions
- Do not write on the Question paper
- 1. Discourse analysis operates within specific assumptions that are held together by context; validate this statement giving illustrations. [15 Marks]
- 2. Describe how conversational analysis can be used to analyze discourse. [15 Marks]
- 3. Discuss the similarities and differences between spoken and written discourse.
- 4. Describe the illocutionary act as proposed by Searle (1975) while giving relevant examples. [15 Marks]
- 5. Explain the role of the four Grice's maxims of conversation in the success of language use. Use clear examples. [15 Marks]
- 6. Giving examples of each, describe how the following helps in the creational interpretation of utterances occurring in a discourse. [15 Marks]
  (i) Participants
  (ii) Setting
  (The event.