



(Knowledge for Development)

KIBABII UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

**FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN COMPARATIVE
LITERATURE**

COURSE CODE: LIT 811

COURSE TITLE: THEORIES AND PRACTICE OF CRITICISM

DATE: 1ST OCTOBER, 2021

TIME: 8.00 - 10.00AM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer any **THREE** Questions. Do not duplicate illustrations.

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION ONE - COMPULSORY (20 MARKS)

Argue for or against the supposition that both classical and contemporary theory are about content and form in literature.

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Discuss with illustrations the significance of the main tenets of psychoanalysis.

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

In what ways is structuralism significant to literary theory and criticism?

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Attempt a critical appreciation of a literary text studied in course basing your views on the core arguments of any two feminist theorists studied in this course.

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Discuss with illustrations the significance of the main tenets of Romanticist criticism.