



(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 812

COURSE TITLE:

MODERN AFRICAN LITERATURE AND PEOPLE

DATE:

27TH SEPTEMBER, 2021

TIME: 8.00 - 10.00AM

#### INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer any THREE Questions. Do not duplicate illustrations.

TIME: 2 Hours

This Paper Consists of 2 Printed Pages. Please Turn Over.

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#### **QUESTION ONE (20 MARKS)**

Examine the influence of the African oral tradition on the modern African poets.

#### **QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

With examples from any of John Ruganda and Francis Imbuga's texts, discuss the major thematic and stylistic devices employed in Modern African Drama.

### **QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

To what extent can it be argued that literature is a creation of the cultural practices of a given community? Draw your illustrations from various literary genres studied in this course.

#### **QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

It can be argued that Achebe's texts are generally symptomatic of the cultural aporia of colonialism and post colonialism. Base your response on *Things Fall Apart* and *No Longer at Ease*.

#### **QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

With close reference to the works of Buchi Emecheta, examine the extent which Modern African writers have succeeded in articulating changing trends in Modern African Literature.