



(Knowledge for Development)

KIBABII UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

**2021 / 2022 ACADEMIC YEAR
FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

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

COURSE CODE: LIT 811

COURSE TITLE: THEORIES AND PRACTICE OF LITERARY CRITICISM

DATE: 19TH JULY, 2022

TIME: 2.00 - 4.00PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer question **ANY THREE** Questions.

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION ONE (20 MARKS)

Examine the centrality of moral criticism with reference to arguments emanating from classical, medieval, neo-classical and Marxist schools of thought.

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

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

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Discuss with illustrations the significance of the main ideas fronted by such Romanticist theorists.

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Elucidate the idea of indigenous knowledge systems on gender with reference to the ideas of at least one proponent studied in this course.

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Discuss with illustrations the significance of the William Wordsworth's sentiments regarding poetry and literature as a whole.