



(Knowledge for Development)

KIBABII UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

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

MAIN EXAMINATION

- SCHOOL BASED -

**FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)**

COURSE CODE: LIT 321

COURSE TITLE: WOMEN IN LITERATURE

DATE: 2ND SEPTEMBER, 2022

TIME: 2.00 - 4.00PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question **ONE** and any other **TWO** Questions.

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION ONE - COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)

- a) Discuss any three branches of feminism in literature. (15 marks)
- b) Attempt a critical evaluation of the portrayal of men and women in some of the short poems covered in this course. (15 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Assess how female writers react to patriarchy in society. Use illustrations from *So Long a Letter* by Mariama Ba.

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Explain five ways in which culture shapes gender relations. Give elaborate illustrations from *The Joys of Motherhood* by Buchi Emecheta.

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Discuss the view that Lawino is not an effective mouthpiece for women in Okot p'Bitek's *Song of Lawino*.

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Briefly describe how male chauvinism is portrayed in Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's novel *Purple Hibiscus*.