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**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
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THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

MAIN EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE

OF

BACHELOR EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE: ENG 312

COURSE TITLE: ENGLISH PROSODY

DATE: 13TH JANUARY 2015

TIME: 9.00-10.00 A.M

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Answer Question ONE and any other Two Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

1 a) Define the following terms as used in English prosody;

- i. Tone languages
- ii. Register tone
- iii. Contour tone
- iv. Downdrift
- v. Sonority
- vi. Metathesis (12 marks)

b) Explain the difference between tone languages and intonation languages (8 marks)

c) Describe the hierarchical structure of the syllable in English. Use Examples from English language. (10 marks)

2 a) “stress in English is said to be contrastive” Explain this phenomenon. (2 marks)

b) Place stress on the following words and describe how each word changes depending on the syllable that receives the stress. (8 marks)

project

content

produce

effect

impact

subject

digest

limit

3. Define phonotactics and explain at least nine phonotactic possibilities in English. (20 marks)

4. a) Describe assimilation using examples from English. (5 marks)

b) Explain with examples three classifications of assimilation. (15 marks)