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**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
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SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

MAIN EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE: ENG 211

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH PHONETICS AND PHONOLOGY

DATE: Thursday 22nd January 2015

TIME: 3.00 -5.00 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Answer Questions one and any other two question

QUESTION ONE Compulsory

- a) Explain the distinction between consonants and vowels in English phonetics. (8marks)
- b) Describe the significance of the following in the production of English sounds (12 marks)
 - i) Passive articulators (6 marks)
 - ii) Active articulator (6 marks)
- c) Provide a complete description of the following English sounds and explain how they are articulated.
g j, r, o, I, u, l (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Explain what an airstream mechanism is
- b) Differentiate with illustration two types of airstream mechanism that you are aware of and mention which of the two is applicable to English sounds

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Identify any seven articulators and describe the role of each in the production of English sounds.

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Explain how the following processes occur in connected speech

- a) Elision (6 marks)
- b) Linking (7 marks)
- c) Assimilation (7 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Explain what the THREE branches of phonetics deal with (20 marks)