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2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR
3RD YEAR 2ND SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
B.ED. ARTS**

**COURSE CODE: LAC 3216
COURSE TITLE: ENGLISH PHONOLOGY**

DATE: 25TH APRIL 2019

TIME: 1100 - 1300 HRS

Instructions:

Attempt question ONE and any other TWO questions.

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QUESTION ONE

- a) Define the term syllable
- b) Discuss the structure of the English Syllable
- c) Using suitable examples, explain the following types of syllables
 - i. Onset syllable
 - ii. Onset-termination syllable
 - iii. Zero onset syllable
 - iv. Termination syllable
- d) Distinguish between free variation and complementary distribution.

[30 Marks]

QUESTION TWO

Using appropriate examples, discuss five phonological processes.

[20 Marks]

QUESTION THREE

- a) Using relevant examples, distinguish between:
 - i. Minimal pairs and minimal sets
 - ii. Allophones and phonemes

[10 Marks]

- b) Explain the importance of phonological analysis of sounds.

[10 Marks]

QUESTION FOUR

Discuss four features of Generative Phonology

[20 Marks]

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