

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL ACADEMICS, RESEARCH AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER REGULAR EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE: LIN 210

COURSE TITLE: SOCIOLINGISTICS

DATE: 15TH OCTOBER, 2020

TIME: 2:00 - 5:00 PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

SEE INSIDE

THIS PAPER CONSISTS OF TWO PRINTED PAGES

PLEASE TURN OVER

REGULAR- MAIN

LIN 210

LIN 210: SOCIOLINGUISTICS

STREAM: BED (Arts)

DURATION: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- i. Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions.
- ii. Do not write on the question paper.

Question One

a) Define the term sociolinguistics.

(2 Marks)

b) Explain the Whorfian hypothesis.

(4 Marks)

c) Using relevant examples, discuss THREE areas in which language relates with culture.

(12 Marks)

- d) Explain the meaning of the following terms as used in sociolinguistics:
 - i. Speech community
 - ii. Dialect

iii. Register

(12 Marks)

Question Two

- a) With reference to any two countries in the East African region, discuss the national language policy.
 (10 Marks)
- b) Explain the origin of pidgins and creoles.

(10 Marks)

Question Three

- a. Using one example of your own for each, discuss the difference between social dialect and regional dialect. (8 Marks)
- b. Using suitable examples, describe any THREE levels of dialect variation.

(12 Marks)

LIN 210

Question Four a) Explain the concept of language standardization. (2 Marks) b) Differentiate between standard language and standardized language. (8 Marks) c) Describe the process of language standardization. (6 Marks) d) State any FOUR reasons for language standardization. (4 Marks) **Question Five** a) Study the following sentences and explain the phenomena: i. Haki I was not happy with you jana. The pen I bought yesterday has been stolen, na sina pesa ya kununua nyengine. ii. (4 Marks) b) Give any FOUR reasons that may lead to the phenomena in question 5 (a) above. (8 Marks) c) Discuss any FOUR factors that influence bilingual development. (8 Marks)