



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2018/2019 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES

THIRD YEAR SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

BACHELOR OF ARTS

AEN 300: PHONETICS AND PHONOLOGY

DATE: 27/9/2019

TIME: 2.00-4.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

1.
 - a) Explain the basis of phonetics and phonology. (6 marks)
 - b) Distinguish between the following terms as used in phonetics and phonology.
 - i) Distinctive and non distinctive features (3 marks)
 - ii) Tense and Lax vowels (3 marks)
 - iii) Oral and nasal sounds (3 marks)
 - iv) Voiced and voiceless sounds (3 marks)
 - v) Sonorants and sibilants (3 marks)
 - c) Distinguish between regressive and progressive assimilation (5 marks)
 - d) Explain any 2 functions of intonation (4 marks)
2. Discuss any 5 non assimilatory features (20 marks)
3. Describe the classification of consonant sounds in terms of place and manner of articulation. (20 marks)
4. Discuss any 4 supra segmental features (20 marks)
5. Critically examine Trubetskoy's distinctive oppositions (20 marks)