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University Examinations for 2015/2016 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION (ARTS)

ARE 0204: ORIGIN AND DEVELOPMENT OF ISLAM

DATE: 8/8/2016

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS.

Answer Question One and any other TWO questions.

1.
 - a) Give an account of the life and call of Prophet Mohammad (15 marks)
 - b) With reference to the Islamic belief of judgment, discuss the Muslim understanding of salvation (5 marks)
 - c) Salvation in Islam is by Grace alone. Discuss (5 marks)
 - d) Describe the features of the first Islamic community in Medina (5 marks)
2. Discuss the achievements and failures of the Umayyad's and Abbasid empire' (20 marks)
3. Discuss six major doctrinal issues in Islam (20 marks)
4. The pre-Islamic Arabia period was not a religious vacuum. Discuss (20 marks)
5. List and discuss the parties who contended for the position of the successor of the prophet of Islam (20 marks)