



UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2ND SEMESTER 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

EXAMINATION FOR MASTERS IN LINGUISTICS

LING 822: DISCOURSE ANALYSIS

STREAM: R

TIME: 3 HRS

DAY: WEDNESDAY (8.30-11.30AM)

DATE: 17/4/24

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF THREE (3) PAGES

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INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- (a) Define the following terms as used in D.A (6marks)
- (i) Discourse
 - (ii) Discourse Analysis
 - (iii) Context
- (b) Distinguish between early stage research in DA and the current approaches (4marks)
- (c) Study the discourse below and answer the question.
 “Oh my, had I known I would meet this resistance, I would not have taken that seat.” Identify and briefly discuss the form of this discourse. (5marks)
- (d) Identify and discuss the five approaches to research in D.A (15marks)

QUESTION TWO (15 MARKS)

- (a) Critically analyze the following in comprehension of utterances. (8marks)
- (i) Reference
 - (ii) Presupposition
 - (iii) Implicature
 - (iv) Inference
- (b) Distinguish between cohesion and coherence. (4marks)
- iii) Name the three methods of Text Analysis. (3marks)

QUESTION THREE (15 MARKS)

Succinctly outline and discuss three ways by which cohesion can be achieved in a text. (15marks)

QUESTION FOUR (15 MARKS)

Describe a classroom discourse based on the study of Sinclair and Coulthards initiation,
Response and follow up (15 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (15 MARKS)

Give a detailed description of Grice (1975) co-operative principle. (3marks)

b) Discuss the four maxims comprised in the Co-operative Principle that ensure effective
communication. (12marks)

