

## NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA Plot 91, Cadastral Zone, Nnamdi Azikiwe Expressway, Jabi - Abuja Faculty of Science JULY 2017 EXAMINATION

**COURSE CODE: BIO 410** 

**COURSE TITLE: FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE** 

**TIME ALLOWED: 2HOURS** 

INSTRUCTION: QUESTION ONE IS COMULSORY AND ANY OTHER THREE

QUESTIONS.

- 1. a. Outline the steps or procedures for pond management **(8marks)**
- b. State **four** factors determining the shape of a fish pond **(4marks)**
- c. State **three** factors that determine the size of a fish pond **(3marks)**
- **d.** Distinguish between a bony and cartilaginous fish **(4marks)**.
- e. Write short notes on the following basic organs and systems in fish:
  - i. Integument (2marks)
  - ii. Respiratory apparatus (2marks)
  - iii. Lateral line system (2marks)
- 2. a. What do you understand by feed formulation? (4marks)
  - b. Explain the steps in feed formulation (4marks)
  - c. With an example, explain the term "best-by-technique" in diet formulation (7marks)
- 3. a. Outline **six** major objectives of food studies in fisheries **(6marks)** 
  - b. Mention six different methods of analyzing food of fishes? (3marks)
  - c. Explain any two of these methods of analyzing food of fishes (6marks)
- 4. a. What you understand by fish culture **(4marks)** 
  - b. Give **five** reasons why we practice aquaculture **(5marks)**

- c. Based on the level of manipulation of the environment, explain **three** classifications of techniques involved in fish culture **(6marks)**
- 5. a. State **six** significance of age and growth studies in fishes **(3marks)** 
  - b. Outline **eight** steps involved in age and growth studies of fishes **(4marks)**
- c. There are important forms or parameters in which the growth of fish is estimated. Explain these parameters/form (**3marks**)
  - d. Mention **five** methods of studying growth of a fish **(5marks)**