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14-16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND, LAGOS  
SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES  
JUNE/JULY 2013 EXAMINATION**

**COURSE CODE: ISL304**

**COURSE TITLE: ISLAMIC STUDIES AND ORIENTALISM**

**TIME ALLOWED: 2HRS**

**INSTRUCTIONS: INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES: ANSWER ONLY  
THREE QUESTIONS IN ALL**

1. Discuss some of the Orientalists' criticism on the prophet hood and marriages of Prophet Muhammad. (23 Marks)
  
2. As a student of Islamic studies, how would you counter the critics on allegations leveled against the Prophet over his marriages and his claim to prophethood? (24 Marks)
  
3. The Orientlists criticized the Prophet and alleged him of promoting merciless killings. As an Islamic studies student how will you react to this criticism taking into consideration the wars fought by the Prophet? (23 Marks)
  
4. Evaluate the works of Williams Muir and Samuel Margoliouth on divine revelation. (23 Marks)

5. Discuss the biographies of Williams Muir and Samuel Margoliouth and list out some of their publications. (23 Marks)