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LAGOS

OCTOBER 2013 EXAMINATIONS
School of Arts and Social Sciences

Course Code: ARA481

Course Title: ARABIC LITERATURE II

Credit Unit: 2.0 Units

Time Allowed: 2 hrs

Instruction: Answer only THREE questions in all

1. Discuss with examples four ways in which Arabic prose-writing differs from poetical compositions. **(23 Marks)**
2. Define *al-Khiṭābah* and explain its component parts with examples. **(23 Marks)**
3. a. Discuss briefly the activities of al-HajjājbnYūsuf as a politician, military commander, an administrator and an orator.
b. Quote an extract from his sermon. **(24 Marks)**
4. a. `Umar bn `Abdul-`Azīz's was a good orator.Explain.
b. Assess the worth of his oration with example. **(23 Marks)**
5. a. Abdul-Hamid al-Kātib set the precedent for Arabic writing art. Discuss.
b. Evaluate his contribution to Arabic prose writing with example. **(23 Marks)**