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## UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 91 CADASTRAL ZONE EXPRESSWAY, JABI, ABUJA SCIENCES COMMUNICATION

**EXAMINATION: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MASS COMMUNICATION** 

JUNE, 2017\_1 EXAMINATIONS

**COURSE CODE: MAC322** 

**COURSE TITLE: EDITORIAL WRITING** 

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS UNIT: 3 CREDIT UNITS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS

## Each question carries 17½ Marks

- 1. An editorial shapes public opinion. Discuss.
- 2. Editorials differ from other writings in a newspaper. As an editor, how will you help an IT/SIWES student in your organisation to distinguish between the two?
- 3. A good editorial is a product of writing using properly tested materials. So, what is the value of research to editorial writing?
- 4. a. What are Ossai's six stages of writing an editorial?
- b. An editorial writer needs to understand his/her audience. What three types of audiences does the writer need to consider.
- 5. The mastery of the laws of persuasion will "sharpen the skills" of an editorial writer. Elaborate on this statement.
- 6. As a good editorial writer what pitfalls must you avoid?