

END OF SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION: 2017/2018

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION STUDIES

COMM 208: MASS MEDIA AND SOCIETY

TIME ALLOWED: TWO AND A HALF (2.5) HOURS

LEVEL 200

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS IN THE ANSWER BOOKLET.
ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS

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ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

- 1. Explain, with examples, five (5) functions of the press under libertarianism. (20 marks).
- 2. Explain, with examples, the following:
 - a. Agenda Setting
 - b. Gatekeeping
 - c. Open market place of ideas
 - d. Self-righting process
- **3.** With examples, explain how the mass media contribute to our cultural identity.
- 4. Discuss four assumptions that underpin the authoritarian press.
- 5. Discuss how new media get adopted in our culture.

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