



PAN AFRICA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

**EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELORS OF ARTS
IN BIBLE AND THEOLOGY**

MAY – AUGUST 2017

CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

DEPARTMENT: BIBLE AND THEOLOGY

COURSE CODE: BIL3443

COURSE TITLE: GENERAL EPISTLES

EXAM DATE: THURSDAY 27th JULY 2017

TIME: 5.30PM-8.30PM

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- Write your **STUDENT NUMBER** in the Answer Booklet given
- This exam has Part I and II.
- Part I is **compulsory** and students are to answer all questions in this section and any other **TWO questions** in Part II.

PART I – COMPULSORY QUESTION (TOTAL 30 MARKS)

1. (a) Briefly discuss three objections to the tradition Petrine authorship of 1 Peter

(15 marks).

- (b) Evaluate the responses to the objections (9 marks)

- (c) Explain why you favour or reject the Petrine authorship of 1 Peter from available

evidence (6 marks).

PART II - ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION (TOTAL 30 MARKS)

2. (a) Discuss the purpose of the letter of 1 John (9 Marks).

- (b) Explain the destination of the letter (6 Marks).

3. (a) Briefly discuss the nature/genre of the letter of Jude (9 Marks).

- (b) Evaluate its contribution to your church or ministry (6 Marks).

4. (a) Discuss the literary affinities of the second letter of Peter and the letter of Jude (9 Marks).

- (b) Explain the contribution of the second letter of Peter to the contemporary church (6 Marks).

5. (a) Discuss similarities of 1 John and the gospel of John that compels some scholars to support the theory of common authorship (8 Marks).

- (b) Explain C. H. Dodd's objections to common authorship (7 Marks).

6. (a) Discuss at least three key lessons learned from the letter of James (9 Marks).

- (b) Briefly discuss the external evidence in support of James, the Lord's brother, authorship of the letter of James (6 Marks).