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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2023/2024

**FIRST YEAR, SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR
OF EDUCATION ARTS**

EEL 3150: INTRODUCTION TO ACADEMIC WRITING

DATE: APRIL 2024

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

1. a) Distinguish between Inductive and Deductive approaches (4 Marks)
- b) List types of academic information sources and give an example for each (4 Marks)
- c) Explain the meaning of coherence showing which devices are used to create cohesion (4Marks)
- d) What is plagiarism and how can an academic writer avoid it? (6 Marks)
- e) Write one introductory paragraph on the topic “The Social Media” (6 Marks)
- f) Examine three common patterns used in developing paragraphs (6 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain methods that you can use to create cohesion in an academic piece of writing (10 Marks)
- b) Discuss the importance of researching for academic contexts (10 Marks)



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QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Write a short essay on the topic “Effective Communication at school” (10 Marks)
- b) Explain five types of plagiarism (10 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the rules of citing in text and end text through APA (10 Marks)
- b) Examine five issues you have to consider when setting out to write academically (10 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) You are in a group “C” where your English writing assignment was not submitted. You have been asked for a report about what led to this. Write a one-page report (12 Marks)
- b) Explain the purpose of communication (8 Marks)

