



## **NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA**

### **Faculty of Arts**

University Village, Nnamdi Azikiwe Express Way,  
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**2020\_2 Examinations**

Programme: BA Islamic Studies  
Course Code: ARA481  
Course Title: Arabic Literature II  
Credit Unit: 2.0 Units  
Time Allowed: 2hrs.

**Instruction to Candidates: Answer Question No. ONE (1) and any other two (2), questions. Question number ONE is COMPULSORY.**

1. Mention and discuss five ways in which Arabic prose-writing differs from poetical composition. (30marks, 50minutes)
2. Of what value is Arabic prose in the literary world? (20marks, 35minutes)
3. Identify and explain with examples five main forms of Arabic prose. (20marks, 35minutes)
4. Compare and contrast between the characteristics of Arabic prose in the Jahiliyah and the Abbasid periods. (20marks, 35minutes)