



**END-OF-SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN BIBLE AND THEOLOGY
MAY – AUGUST 2025**

CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

DEPARTMENT: BIBLICAL AND THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

COURSE CODE: UCC 201

COURSE TITLE: HERMENEUTICS 1

EXAM DATE:

TIME:

TIME ALLOWED: 3HRS

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- Section A is compulsory.
- Answer ANY TWO questions in Section B.
- PAC University examination regulations apply.

SECTION A: Answer ALL questions (20 marks)

1. In relation to biblical hermeneutics:
 - i. Explain the significance of biblical hermeneutics.
Give **FOUR** examples to support your argument. (8 marks)
 - ii. Discuss **FOUR** presuppositions about the nature of the Bible when interpreting biblical text. (12 Marks)

SECTION B: Answer any TWO questions (20 marks)

2. In relation to contextual analysis of a biblical text answer the following:
 - a) Discuss the significance of the following statement:
“A text without a context is a pretext for a proof text.” (2 Marks)
 - b) Several barriers must be thoughtfully bridged by the reader in biblical interpretation:
 - i. Illustrate the contextual importance of any **TWO** barriers an interpreter faces in the interpretation of biblical text. (4 Marks)
 - ii. Discuss how each of these barriers can be overcome. (4 Marks)

3. Carefully examine the biblical passage below and respond to the questions that follow:

Acts 18:1-4

After this, Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. There he met a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, who had

recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had ordered all Jews to leave Rome. Paul went to see them, and because he was a tentmaker as they were, he stayed and worked with them. Every Sabbath he reasoned in the synagogue, trying to persuade Jews and Greeks.

- a) Discuss the significance of historical data in the interpretation of this passage. Give **TWO** examples from the passage to support your answer. (5 marks)
 - b) Discuss the significance of cultural data in the interpretation of this passage. Give **TWO** examples from the passage to illustrate your answer. (5 marks)
4. Discuss the contextual importance of any **FOUR** of the domains of literary context in the interpretation of a biblical passage. (10 marks)
5. Following is a list of five biblical books:
- Leviticus
 - Ruth
 - Proverbs
 - Acts
 - Revelation
- a) Classify each book according to its genre. (5 Marks)
 - b) Support your answers with **ONE** reason for placing each of the books under the specific category. (5 Marks)