



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).