



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA**  
**FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**  
**DEPARTMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATION**

**COURSE CODE: MAC 411**  
**COURSE TITLE: MEDIA LAW AND ETHICS**  
**UNITS: 3**  
**TIME: 3HOURS**  
**INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER THREE QUESTIONS.**

1. (a) What is new media?  
(b) Discuss the challenges of the regulation of the new media in Nigeria.  
(c) Explain three reasons ethics are important in the society. **(25 marks)**
2. Explain five reasons laws are important in the society. **(15 marks)**
3. There are different non-media mechanisms employed by different communities in reacting, responding to, correcting and limiting the activities of media news gathering and reporting practices and publications. Identify and discuss five of them. **(15 marks)**
4. Write short notes on any five (5) of the following: in relation to the responsibilities of the journalist.  
(a) Public interest;  
(b) Children and minors;  
(c) Accuracy and fairness;  
(d) Decency;  
(e) Discrimination;  
(f) Social Responsibility. **(15 marks)**
5. Examine the following ethical problems in journalism in Nigeria.  
(a) Freebies;  
(b) Junkets;  
(c) Carter journalism. **(15 marks)**