

**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA****Faculty of Arts**

University Village, NnamdiAzikiwe Express Way,

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2020_1 EXAMINATION

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.
 - a. Mention and explain the broad divisions of Arabic literature.
 - b. What are the distinguishing characteristics between these broad divisions?
2.
 - a. Explain the term *al-Khitabah* in Arabic prose.
 - b. Write a short note on ONLY FIVE out of the types of *al-Khitabah* in Arabic Prose.
3.
 - a. Discuss three types of *al-Risaalah* in Arabic prose.
 - b. Examine the structure of *al-Risaalah* in Arabic prose.
4.
 - a. What are the distinguishing factors between *al-Qissah* and *al-Riwāyah*?
 - b. Trace the origin and evolution of the first true Arabic novel.