



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATION
2021_2 EXAMINATIONS**

COURSE CODE: JLS712
COURSE TITLE: MEDIA LAW AND ETHICS
UNITS: 3
TIME: 3 HOURS
INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER THREE QUESTIONS.

1. (a) With appropriate illustration, discuss at least four (4) essential points to be proved before defamation can succeed in court.
(b) Explain the purpose of law of defamation. **(25 Marks)**
2. State and explain the specific ways the press can perform her constitutional duty. **(15 Marks)**
3. Defamation can be defined as the transmission to a third party, either orally or in writing, of information which tends to damage the reputation of another person. Discuss with elaborate examples the conditions which can make a statement defamatory. **(15 Marks)**
4. Explain with good examples how adequate training and remuneration for Journalist can serve as Ethical Mechanism. **(15 Marks)**
5. As a journalist in Nigeria explain how the enforcement of the law of Sedition during the military era differs from the enforcement and during the democratic era. **(15 Marks)**