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NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA University Village, Nnamdi Azikiwe Express, plot 91, Cadastral Zone, Jabi, Abuja

Faculty of Arts

2017 2 EXAMINATION

Programme: B. A. Islamic Studies

Name of Subject: Islamic Studies

Course/Title: ISL 355: Introduction to *Tasawwuf*

2.0 Units

Time Allowed: 2 hrs

Instruction to candidates: Answer only THREE questions in all

- 1. Explain the meaning of *Taşawwuf* and its significance. 24 Marks.
- 2. Define the term "asceticism" and elaborate on its characteristics.

 23 Marks.
- 3. Discuss the Khurāsanian School of Şūfīsm. 23 Marks.
- 4. Why was Junayd regarded as the pivot in the history of Islamic mysticism? 23 Marks.
- 5. Discuss reconciliation between Exoterism and Esoterism. 23 Marks.