



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
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Programme:	PGD in Christian Theology
Course Code:	CRS704
Course Title:	Religious Dialogue
Credit Unit:	2
Time Allowed:	2 Hours
Instruction:	Answer ANY THREE questions

1. Religious dialogue is not a congress of philosophical ideas or simply a theological symposium. Expatiate on this assertion.
2. a. The emergence of a religiously pluralistic world with greatly increased possibilities of inter-faith and multi-faith encounters makes dialogue among people of different faiths extremely important. How important is religious dialogue in a multi-ethnic nation like Nigeria?
b. Dialogue requires more than mere knowledge about other religions and their members, but also about people who are constantly in the process of spiritual growth. Articulate and discuss the guiding principles for effective dialogue.
3. Examine the values that are common in Islam, Christianity and African Traditional Religion which can serve as the principles that can facilitate dialogue among practitioners of the three religions.
4. As a student of religious dialogue, you were invited to a symposium to discuss on the irreconcilable areas of differences among Christians, Muslims and adherents of African Traditional Religion, what will be your response?