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FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
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2024_2 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE:	MAC313
COURSE TITLE:	CRITICAL WRITING AND REVIEWING
UNITS:	2
TIME:	3 HOURS
INSTRUCTION:	ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO

1. a. Conception of idea is important in developing a review. Discuss. (15 Marks)
b. Pro review is usually positive. Discuss. (15 Marks)
2. a. Identify and discuss the relationships between critical writing and mass communication. (10 Marks)
b. Discuss FIVE qualities of a critique. (10 Marks)
3. a. Condemning a work may be counter-productive in review. Discuss. (10 Marks)
b. What is critical writing? (10 Marks)
4. a. Critical writing rests on critical thinking, discuss. (10 Marks)
b. Identify and discuss FOUR skills required for critical and effective thinking. (10 Marks)
5. a. Discuss the major differences between critical writing and editorial writing. (10 Marks)
b. What are the TWO main differences between theories and approaches to critical writing? (10 Marks)
6. a. A reviewer is not a critic, discuss. (10 Marks)
b. The outlining step in critical writing is as important as the step where the lead, the body and conclusion are written. Discuss. (10 Marks)