



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF LAW
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LAW
2025_2 EXAMINATIONS

COURSE CODE: PUL803
COURSE TITLE: ADMINISTRATIVE LAW 1
TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

Instruction: ANSWER QUESTION 1 (ONE) AND ANY OTHER 2 QUESTIONS. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS (20 MARKS) EXCEPT QUESTION 1 WHICH CARRIES 30 MARKS.

1. The separation of powers has an importance to the constitution that is wider than its role in controlling the executive. What role does it have in administrative law?
2. Administrative law as a branch of law is rooted in the principle of the rule of law. Discuss.
3. An obvious, central requirement of the rule of law is that public officials should be bound by the law. No administrative authority has discretion to violate the law, or to suspend it. Lord Hope said, 'If the rule of law is to mean anything, decisions as to what is necessary or expedient in this context cannot be left to the uncontrolled judgment of the executive. **In relation to the above, discuss how the following principles aligns with the doctrine of rule of law.**
 - a. **Due process**
 - b. **Access to justice**
 - c. **Accountability**
4. A.V Dicey's conception of parliamentary sovereignty is fraught with criticisms. Discuss these criticisms.
5. Identify and discuss the uses of administrative law