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MAIN EXAMINATION

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FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

ALC 501: TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETATION: THEORY AND HISTORY

Date: April 2015 Duration: 3 Hours
Instructions: Answer Question ONE and any other THREE Questions

- Q1. With illustrations from any two or more languages, discuss the significance of the following grammatical categories in translation.
 - a) Number
 - b) Tense and Aspect
 - c) Voice

(15 marks)

- Q2. Define and explain how the following meanings of words are key in translation across languages. Use practical examples from any languages you are familiar with.
 - a) Expressive meaning
 - b) Pressuposed meaning
 - c) Evoked meaning

(15 marks)

Q3. a) Explain five differences between translation and interpretation.

(10 marks)

b) What type of interpretation is likely to be used in a Church sermon? Explain how it works.

(5 marks)

Q4. Using examples from English and your L1, demonstrate how idioms and fixed expressions can be difficult to translate.

(15 marks)

Q5. a) What is collocation?

(3 marks)

b) Using semantic analysis, explain the need for translators to have good knowledge of collocations in both source and target languages.

(12 marks)

Q6.	Describe	and	justify	any	theory	or	theories	of	translation	that	would	l be
	appropriat	te in t	translat	ing a	pamphl	et a	about the	caus	se and cure	of n	nalaria	from
	English into a local African language.											

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