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MASENO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2017/2018

**FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS
FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN
LINGUISTICS**

MAIN CAMPUS

ALN 801: MORPHOLOGY

Date: 8th March, 2018

Time: 12.00 - 3.00pm

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer Question ONE and any other TWO



- Q.1. With data from diverse languages, describe the linguistic processes that give rise to the following interfaces of linguistic analysis:
- (i) Morphophonology (10 marks)
 - (ii) Morphosyntax (10 marks)
 - (iii) Morphosemantics (10 marks)
- Q.2. Discuss the major propositions of lexical morphology (20 marks)
- Q.3. Illustrate how you would apply Eugene Nida's first three principles to discover the morphemes of a language (20 marks)
- Q.4. With examples, distinguish clearly between isolating, agglutinating and synthetic morphological structures (20 marks)
- Q.5. Illustrate the positional constraints on the occurrence of the two dominant types of affixes in English (20 marks)