



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
Faculty of Arts
University Village, Nnamdi Azikiwe Express,
Plot 91, Cadastral Zone, Jabi, Abuja
2022_2 EXAMINATION

Programme: MA Islamic Studies
Name of Subject: Islamic Studies
Course/Title: ISL 840: Mutazilism and Ash'arism (Reason and Revelation)
2.0 Units **Time Allowed: 2 hrs.**

Instruction to candidates: **Answer any THREE questions**

1. Explain '*Aqīdah*' and its defenses between Mu'tazila and Ash'ariya. **(23 Marks, 40 Marks).**
2. Write on the argument between the Sunnis and Shi'ah in relation to *Taqlid*. **(23 Marks, 40 Minutes).**
3. Discuss the following most controversial factors between Shi'a, Mu'tazila and Ash'aris: **(23 Marks, 40 Minutes).**
a. Divine Pardon b. *Ihbat* and *Takfir* c. Repentance
4. Assess any seven (7) major views of Mu'tazilah and Ash'ariyah in relation to Predestination. **(23 Marks)**