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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRSTYEAR FIRST SEMESTER REGULAR MAIN EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE: EDB 101

COURSE TITLE: MICROECONOMICS

DATE:24TH JANUARY, 2022

TIME: 2.00 P.M- 5.00P.M

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

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EDB 101 MICROECONOMICS

STREAM: BED (Arts)	DURATION: 3
Hours	
INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES	
i. Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions	
ii. Do not write on the question paper.	
Question One (Compulsory)	
Write brief notes on the following; a) Scarcity and choice.	(5marks)
b) Price elasticity of demand.	(5marks)
c) Substitution and income effects of price change.	(5marks)
d) Explain the importance of elasticity of demand	(10marks)
e) Distinguish microeconomics from macroeconomics	(5marks)
Question Two a) Explain is oligopoly	(4marks)
b) Using a well illustrated diagram, show that a monopolist can mawhen MC=MR	ke losses in the short-run even (8marks)
c) Using a well illustrated diagram, explain why prices are 'sticky' market	downwards under oligopolistic (8marks)
Question Three	
a) Explain the characteristics of free market economy	(10marks)
b) Discuss factors which affect supply	(10marks)
Question Four	
a) Define the term inferior goods	(2marks)
b) Explain the law of supply	(2marks)
c) Explain the concept of consumer sovereignty	(4marks)

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d) Explain a situation where the law of supply is violated

e) Briefly explain the usefulness of the concept of elasticity of demand in decision making process (10 Marks)

Question Five

- a) Identify the source of monopoly power (6marks)
- b) In relation to the theory of production, explain the shut point of a firm (6marks)
- Explain with illustrations the long run output choice of a firm operating in a perfectly competitive structure
 (8marks)
