

BOWEN UNIVERSITY, IWO COLLEGE OF COMPUTING AND COMMUNICATION STUDIES COMMUNICATION ARTS PROGRAMME 2022/2023 SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION

DATE: June, 2023

COURSE TITLE: SMALL GROUP COMMUNICATION

COURSE CODE: CMA 412 TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS 30 MINUTES

INSTRUCTION: Answer 4 Questions in all. Questions 1 and 2 are compulsory

- 1. Using two small group communication theories, explain the relevance of these theories to small group communication. (20 marks)
- 2. "Conflicts are unavoidable during small group communication tasks." With relevant examples, explain this statement by showing a complete understanding of the three (3) types of conflict that can impact the goals of small groups and how to solve these conflicts. (20 marks)
- 3. As a competent leader of a small group, explain some of the communication competencies required of group members of problem-solving groups. (10 marks)
- 4. Write short notes with examples and show the relevance of the following to small group communication: (10 marks)
 - a) Task-oriented Groups
 - b) Relational-oriented groups
 - c) Diversity
 - d) Communication competence
- 5. (a) In your own words, define small group communication (3 marks)
 - (b) Attempt an in-depth discussion on the advantages and disadvantages of small group communication. (7 marks)
- 6. As the new team leaser for a seven-member group comprising members from different cultures in your new organisation, explain some of the challenges you will likely face when communicating with the group members. (10 marks)