

**BOWEN UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL STUDIES
HISTORY AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES PROGRAMME**

B.A. SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION 2022/2023 SESSION

COURSE CODE: HIS 310 COURSE CREDITS:2

**COURSE TITLE: CHALLENGES AND PROSPECTS OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION
IN WEST AFRICA**

**INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY
EQUAL MARKS**

TIME ALLOWED 2^{1/2} HRS

1. Why in your opinion do you think Cooperation in Africa was delayed and why did African countries realise the need to stand and act in agreement? (23 marks)
2. From your perspective, What do you consider the pros and cons of bipolarity and multipolarity cooperation in the International system? (23 marks)
3. What are the visions and prospects of increasing economic integration in West Africa? (23 marks).
4. Do you agree with the notion that sometimes economic cooperation is not a simple process as it incurs costs and sometimes returns may not be as profitable as the resources involved? (23 marks).
5. “Most of the potential gains from economic cooperation rest with the exploitation of economies of scale”. Explain this statement in the light of what you consider as the rationale for economic cooperation in West Africa. (23 marks).
6. Trace the trajectory of economic cooperation in West Africa up to the formation of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)? (23 marks).