



MASEÑO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2013/2014

**FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE
OF MASTER OF ARTS IN LINGUISTICS
(MAIN CAMPUS)**

ALN 803: GENERATIVE PHONOLOGY

Date: 27th November, 2013

Time: 9.00 – 12noon

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO questions.

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1. Explain how Generative Phonology attains more explanatory adequacy than structuralism and taxonomic phonemics.
2. Discuss how and why the definition and analysis of the concept of the phoneme is fraught with fluidity.
3. Compare and contrast Chomsky and Halle's (1968) feature system with that of Trubetzkoy and Jakobson.
4. With relevant examples, discuss the principal tenets of Autosegmental Phonology.
5. Explain how Generative Phonology is more suited for the analysis of secondary articulatory processes.