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**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA**

**University Village, Nnamdi Azikiwe Express,**

**plot 91, Cadastral Zone, Jabi, Abuja**

**Faculty of Arts**

# 2017\_2 EXAMINATION

# Programme: B. A. Islamic Studies

Name of Subject: **Islamic Studies**

Course/Title: ISL 355: Introduction to *Tasawwuf*

**2.0 Units**

**Time Allowed: 2 hrs**

Instruction to candidates: **Answer only THREE questions in all**

1. Explain the meaning of *Ta*ş*awwuf* and its significance. 24 Marks.
2. Define the term “asceticism” and elaborate on its characteristics.

23 Marks.

1. Discuss the Khurāsanian School of Şūfīsm. 23 Marks.
2. Why was Junayd regarded as the pivot in the history of Islamic mysticism?

23 Marks.

1. Discuss reconciliation between Exoterism and Esoterism. 23 Marks.