MASTER OF ARTS EXAMINATION, 2023 First Year, Second Semester DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH Renaissance Drama Excluding Shakespeare

Time: Two Hours Full Marks: 30

Answer *any three* questions. All questions carry equal marks.

- 1. Discuss the problems of distinguishing "romance" and "tragicomedy" as dramatic genres, citing appropriate examples.
- 2. Critically comment on the use of the landscape as a performance space in *The Honorable Entertainment ... at Elvetham in Hampshire*.
- 3. Discuss in detail the characterisation of the Husband and the Wife in *A Yorkshire Tragedy*, with reference to the recognised sources.
- 4. Do you agree that Beatrice-Joanna and Isabella in *The Changeling* are mirror images of each other? Discuss, with close reference to the text.
- 5. Do you agree that *The Masque of Blackness* evokes culturally subversive issues but also tries to moderate them? Discuss, with detailed attention to the scenic apparatus.
- 6. Can you term *Epicoene*, or *The Silent Woman* a "comedy of misogyny"? Discuss, with special attention to the young gallants.