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**COMMERCE**

**SCHEME OF EXAMINATION:**

There will be two papers, Paper I and Paper 2, both of which will constitute a composite paper to be taken at one sitting.

**PAPER I:** Will consist of fifty multiple choice questions to be answered in 50 minutes for 50 marks.

**PAPER II:** Will consist of eight essay type questions out of which candidates will be required to answer any five within 2 hours for 100 marks.

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**RECOMMENDED TEXTBOOKS**

1. Senior Secondary Commerce, Book One, two and three by M. O. Odedokun, P. C. Udokogu and C. O. N. Oguji.
2. Basic Marketing- McCarthy Jerome, E. , William Perreault Jr.
3. Marketing – G. B. Giles ( The M & E hand book services)
4. Consumer Behaviour – Prof. Achumba ( University of Lagos

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