



**KISII UNIVERSITY**  
**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE

DIPLOMA IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

FIRST SEMESTER, 2023/2024

(AUGUST-DECEMBER, 2023)

DLIS 0214: INFORMATION ETHICS

**STREAM: Y2 S1**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY: FRIDAY, 9.00 -11:00 AM**

**DATE: 01/12/2023**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Do not write anything on this question paper.**
- 2. Answer Question ONE [Compulsory] and any other TWO Questions.**

**QUESTION ONE**

- a) Define the following terms (10mks)
- Ethics
  - Information ethics
  - Intellectual property
  - Copy right
  - Plagiarism
- b) State the areas /dilemmas ethics covers (4mks)
- c) Explain the role/function of professional associations (5mks)
- d) Discuss the core values of librarianship (5mks)
- e). Discuss any 3 information professional association (6mks)

**QUESTION TWO**

- 2 a) Discuss the various characteristics an information professional such as a librarian should possess (10mks)
- b) Discuss the current trend in ethics and information use (10mks)

**QUESTION THREE**

- a) Explain five attributes of a profession (10mks)  
b) Discuss the common characteristics of a profession (10mks)

**QUESTION FOUR**

- a) Discuss various reasons as a student of library science, why it is important to be a member of a Professional association (15mks)  
b) Discuss the purposes of ethic in a society (5mks)

**QUESTION FIVE**

- (a) Explain the following basic concepts of professional ethics.  
(12 marks)

Responsibility

Accountability

Liability

Due Process

- (b) Discuss the meaning of plagiarism and highlight penalties for plagiarizing other peoples work or ideas. (8 Marks)