



KISII UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE DIPLOMA IN LIBRARY & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

FIRST SEMESTER 2023/2024

[JAN – APRIL, 2024]

DLIS 0214: INFORMATION ETHICS

STREAM: Y2 S2

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY: TUESDAY, 9:00 - 11:00 A.M.

DATE: 16/04/2024

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Do not write anything on this question paper.**
- 2. Answer question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.**

QUESTION ONE.

- a) Explain the term information. (2 marks)
- b) Using relevant examples, discuss the benefits of good information. (18 marks)
- c) Discuss how intellectual property contributes to national and state economics. (5 marks)
- d) Explain the following terms. (5 marks)
 - i. Plagiarism
 - ii. Meta Ethics
 - iii. Copyright.

QUESTION TWO

- a) Discuss FIVE ways in which information users and professionals benefit by joining professional bodies. (10 marks)

- b) Discuss the reasons why information is regarded as a strategic resource. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) State and explain different types of intellectual property and give clear illustrations. (10 marks)
- b) Explain the following as used in terms as used in librarianship and professional ethics' (5 marks)
- i. Code of Ethics
 - ii. Professional Ethics
 - iii. Information Ethics.
 - iv. Ethics.
 - v. Intellectual property.
- c) Explain two different categories of intellectual property (5 marks)

QUESTION FOUR.

- (a) Name five professional bodies giving their roles in the development of libraries. (10 marks)
- (b) Discuss the fundamental characteristics of a profession (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Explain the emerging trends in the development of library and information science as a profession. (10 marks)
- b) Highlight the possible penalties for plagiarizing in an institution of higher learning (10 marks)