



KISII UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE DIPLOMA IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

SECOND SEMESTER 2023/2024

[JAN – APRIL, 2024]

DLIS 0130: INFORMATION LITERACY

STREAM: Y1 S2

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY: MONDAY, 3:00 - 5:00 P.M.

DATE: 22/04/2024

INSTRUCTIONS

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

QUESTION ONE: (30 MARKS)

- 1a) **Define** the term information literacy. (2 marks)
- b) Explain the following information sources. (8 marks)
- Encyclopedia
 - Atlases
 - Handbook
 - Bibliographies
- c) Discuss FIVE reasons why it is important to become information literate as a university student. (10 marks)
- d) **Discuss five competencies** of an information literate person. (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO: (20 MARKS)

- a) **Discuss FIVE advantages** of using information sources provided by the library. (10 marks)
- b) Explain **FIVE** benefits of information literacy. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE: (20 MARKS)

- a) Plagiarism is a serious issue among students in higher education. **Discuss** what students can do to avoid plagiarism. (10 marks)
- b) The Library Department has invited students to register for upcoming Information Literacy Classes. Your colleague wonders why she should join the class yet she won't be examined. What is she likely to gain if she chooses to join the class? (5 marks)

QUESTION FOUR:(20MARKS)

- a) The internet or World Wide Web as become leading source of information in the 21st century. **Discuss five** attributes of the internet that makes it a preferred sources of information. (10 marks)
- b) Suppose you have retrieved some information from the internet, **explain five** factors that you would consider when evaluating this information (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE:(20MARKS)

- a) Users of information are expected to use information with an understanding of ethical and social economic issues surrounding information. Briefly **discuss five** ethical issues affecting use of internet-based information. (10 marks)
- b).State and explain the **FIVE** sources of information (10 marks)