NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SCIENCE DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM AND MEDIA STUDIES MEDIA AND SOCIETY I (IJM 1102)

JANUARY 2004 EXAMINATION

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. Answer any **four** Questions.
- 2. Poor spelling and Grammar will be penalised.
- 1. Define culture and discuss how it relates to the media.

[25 **Marks**]

2. Discuss the view of media as the fourth estate in societies. Give concrete examples to support your answer.

[25 **Marks**]

3. Describe the social constructivist theory of media technologies. How does this theory contrast with the technological determinism theory of media technologies?

[25 Marks]

4. Media institutions are not playing the role they should play in the fight against AIDS. Discuss this statement using specific examples.

[25 **Marks**]

5. Critically examine the role of the media in identity formation. How can the media in Africa be used to foster an African Identity?

[25 marks]

6. Describe some of the factors that have to be taken into consideration when formulating media policies in an African context.

[25 marks]