NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SCIENCE DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM AND MEDIA STUDIES MEDIA IN AFRICA (IJM 4111) JULY 2010 SUPPLEMENTARY EXAM TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Section A is compulsory.

- 2. Answer any three questions in Section B.
- 3. Poor spelling and grammar will be penalised.
- 4. Do not repeat material.

SECTION A

Question 1

Contrary to its public service intentions, public service television programming on ZTV1 is so much prejudiced by manipulative financial and political interests that it cannot provide a credible public sphere for Zimbabwean citizens.

Do you agree? Refer to specific programmes and patterns to illustrate your answer. [25 Marks]

SECTION B

Question 2

With reference to THREE African countries, discuss the legal, political and economic factors that inhibit media freedom. [25 marks]

Question 3

Critically analyse the problems faced by the independent media in Africa. Refer to the situation in at least TWO African countries. [25 marks]

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Community radio is the future promise or lost opportunity for Africa. Discuss with reference to TWO African countries of your choice. [25 marks]

Question 5

Explain the notion of cultural imperialism in relation to film studies. Give examples. [25 marks]

Question 6

Give a critical evaluation of the state of media training in Africa. To what extent is this training in consonance with Africa's needs? [25 marks]