NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SCIENCE DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONOURS) DEGREE IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

PART I SECOND SEMESTER JULY 2012 SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

ILI 1202: INFORMATION SOURCES AND SERVICES

TIME: 3 HOURS

<u>Instructions to candidates</u>

- 1. Answer any four (4) questions.
- 2. Each question carries 25 marks.
- 3. Give equal time to each question.
- 4. Importance is attached to accuracy, clarity and legibility of handwriting.
- 1.1 Describe any five search tools that are found in a library. [10 marks]
- 1.2 Explain how each of the tools that you described in 1.1 is used to locate information in a library. [15 marks]
- 2. Discuss the main reference services that are normally found in academic libraries.

[25 marks]

- 3. Discuss the need and purpose of reference services in today's digital era. [25 marks]
- 4. Describe the asynchronous transactions that are normally found in a digital library environment; highlighting the limitations of each transaction. [25 marks]
- 5. Describe the characteristics of the following reference sources:

5.1 Encyclopedia	[5 marks]
5.2 Almanac	[5 marks]
5.3 Dictionary	[5 marks]
5.4 Handbook	[5 marks]
5.5 Directory	[5 marks]

6. Discuss the professional variables that may hinder the success of a reference interview.

[25 marks]

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