



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

RESEARCH METHODS AND STATISTICS

ILI 2203

Supplementary Examination Paper

July 2016

This examination paper consists of 2 pages

Time Allowed: 3 hours
Total Marks: 100
Special Requirements: None
Examiner's Name: N. Pasipamire

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer any four (4) questions.
2. Give equal time to each question you choose.
3. Each question carries 25 marks.
4. Importance is attached to clear presentation of ideas, good expression and legibility of handwriting.

MARK ALLOCATION

QUESTION	MARKS
1.	25
2.	25
3.	25
4.	25
5.	25
6.	25

1. Justify the need for a review of literature when embarking on a research study. [25 marks]
2. Assess the circumstances under which the case study method would be the most suitable method as a strategy of inquiry. [25 marks]
3. Critically appraise the use of information technologies in sourcing for information in research. [25 marks]
4. How can one assess for credibility in a qualitative research study? [25 marks]
5. Assess the types of information sources commonly used by researchers in information studies. [25 marks]
6. Descriptive statistics is the predominant type of data analysis employed by researchers in information studies. Discuss, using examples, the usefulness of descriptive statistics to information professionals. [25 Marks]