

**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 IV SECOND SEMESTER JULY 2012 SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS**

**ILI 4202: PUBLIC LIBRARIES**

**TIME: 3 HOURS**

**Instruction to candidates**

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.
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1. Discuss the benefits and challenges faced by public libraries in adopting Integrated Library Management Systems. [25 marks]
2. Justify how public libraries are a “gateway to knowledge” which promote freedom, prosperity, and development of the communities they serve. [25 marks]
3. Discuss how public librarianship can be considered to be the pinnacle of librarianship in the context of library professionalism. [25 marks]
4. Assert the position you would take in developing a good public library collection based on demand and/or quality. [25 marks]
5. Discuss four functions of the public library highlighting their impact on communities served by public libraries in Zimbabwe. [25 marks]
6. Justify the importance of orientation suggesting suitable methods of providing it in public libraries. [25 marks]

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