NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SCIENCE DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE <u>MASTER OF SCIENCE IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE</u> STAGE 1 FIRST SEMESTER NOVEMBER 2012 EXAMINATIONS

ILI 5103: CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

TIME: 3 HOURS

Instructions to candidates

- 1. Answer any four (4) questions.
- 2. Each question carries 25 marks.
- 3. Importance is attached to accuracy, clarity of expression and legibility of handwriting.
- 1. Open access initiatives in Zimbabwe still face a lot of problems, yet there are a lot of avenues to improve the situation. Discuss this statement in the context of digital library development. [25 marks]
- 2. The Zimbabwean Library profession has been affected by globalisation. Discuss the new skills that professionals should possess in the contemporary global society. [25 marks]
- 3. Assess factors that have contributed to rampant copyright infringement in most developing countries and suggest practical remedies to the situation. [25 marks]
- 4. Resource sharing is a form of arrangement that brings a lot of inequalities to most information service providers. Discuss. [25 marks]
- 5. With the entrepreneurship wave sweeping across the world and, to a large extent, in Zimbabwe, information professionals are no exception in trying to apply their skill and knowledge to become inforpreneurs. Identify gaps in the economy which you can capitalise on and discuss, in detail, how you can start businesses. [25 marks]
- Discuss how an organisation of your choice can effectively and successfully use the Socialisation, Externalisation, Internalisation and Combination model by Nonaka and Takeuchi (1995) for knowledge management. [25 marks]

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