

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
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DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE
MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

STAGE I SECOND SEMESTER MAY 2012 EXAMINATIONS

ILI 5104: INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION THEORY

TIME: 3 HOURS

Instructions to candidates

1. Answer any four (4) questions.
 2. Each question carries 25 marks.
 3. Give equal time to all questions.
 4. Importance is attached to accuracy, clarity and legibility of handwriting.
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1. Discuss the attributes of a scholarly discipline. [25 marks]
2. Discuss the implications of ‘commodifying’ knowledge in an information society. [25 marks]
3. Critically assess the ethos that bind the scientific community together. [25 marks]
4. Evaluate the typical processes of a content management system (CMS) that facilitate the conversion of information into knowledge. [25 marks]
5. Critically assess the statement that information and communication technologies have turned the world into a global culture, using the different levels of analysis. [25 marks]
6. Explain your understanding of the statement that “academic work generally happens within . . . arbitrary or artificial disciplinary boundaries.” [25 marks]

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