## NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SCIENCE DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE <u>MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE</u> STAGE II FIRST SEMESTER JANUARY 2013 SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS ILI 5106: INFORMATION POLICY STUDIES

## **TIME: 3 HOURS**

## **Instruction 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. Public policy can be designed and analysed by means of prescriptive and descriptive approaches. Discuss any five (5) prescriptive approaches that you could use to develop information policies in your own situation. [25 Marks]
- Our democratic society is based on the tenet of an educated and informed electorate. To this end, we espouse free universal education and free access to information. Discuss the challenges surrounding the achievement of this 'total freedom'. [25 Marks]
- 3. How will the introduction of a universal information policy bring harmony to the current uncoordinated activities and operations in the information industry? [25 Marks]
- 4. Discuss the factors that hinder the formulation of vibrant information policies in Zimbabwe. [25 Marks]
- 5. Discuss the likely consequences of relying on foreign expertise in the design of public policies. [25 Marks]
- 6. What information structures would you put in place for the smooth running of your professional association? [25 marks]

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