National University of Science and Technology Faculty of Information and Communication Science

Department of Library and Information Science

Master of Science Degree in Library and Information Science

Stage I Part II Second Semester July 2010 Supplementary Examinations

ILI 5108: Specialised Information Systems in Agriculture, Health and Development Studies

Time: 3 hours + 30 minutes reading time

Instruction to candidates

- 1. Answer any <u>four</u> (4) questions.
- 2. Each question carries <u>25 marks</u>.
- 3. Give equal time to all questions.
- 4. Importance is attached to accuracy, clarity and legible handwriting.
- 1. Critique the view that Agricultural Information Systems interact with and influences agricultural productivity.
- 2. Discuss how one can use Geographical Information Systems (GIS) in the mapping and management of agricultural activities in open spaces in cities.
- 3. Compare and contrast any two Medical Information Management Systems, highlighting their strength and weaknesses.
- 4. With close reference to an explicitly identified evaluation tool, discuss how you would analyse Zimbabwe's health Information System.
- 5. Discuss how one can apply web-based Information Systems to improve community development in an area of your choice.
- 6. Discuss the strategic value of Information Systems in development studies.