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RESIT/ SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS

**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED COMPUTER SCIENCE**

ACMP 281: SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

STREAMS:

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 25/7/2018

5.00 PM – 7.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

CANDIDATE INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer **all questions** in section A and any other **two questions** from section B.
2. No Reference Material is allowed in the exam Room.
3. All Mobile phones should be switched off in the exam room.
4. Write legibly.

SECTION A (COMPULSORY)

QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY) [30 MARKS]

- a) Using an example in information technology, explain the term “the contrarian view” focusing on “new wine in old bottles” (5marks)
- b) Outline SIX ethical guidelines of IT professionals (6marks)
- c) State TEN security measures that should be put in place to guard against ethical challenges and virtual harms to Information systems. (5marks)
- d) In analyzing the “unintended consequences of IT” there is a two level perspective approach (*first level efficiency and second level effects*).
 - i) Outline the two levels perspective approach (4marks)
 - ii) Explain THREE considerations in the first level effects (6marks)
- e) Explain FOUR disadvantages of outsourcing IT in banking industry. (4marks)

SECTION B (Answer two question from this section)

QUESTION 2 [20 MARKS]

- a) With regard to digital divide: -
- i) Describe the term digital divide. (4marks)
 - ii) Outline SIX obstacles that promote digital divide in Kenya. (6marks)
- b) Outline FIVE characteristics of empowered employees in a workplace (10marks)

QUESTION 3 [20 MARKS]

- a) Highlight FOUR ethical challenges faced with IT officers in the course of their duties (8marks)
- b) i) Define workplace privacy (2 marks)
- ii) Outline FIVE issues that one would consider in gauging whether effective workplace privacy exist in an organization (10 marks)

QUESTION 4 [20 MARKS]

- a) Explain the meaning of the following IT threats
- i. Spyware
 - ii. Sniffing
 - iii. Intellectual property theft
 - iv. Spoofing (8 marks)
- c) Discuss how twitter is propagating information immediacy, hence outline FOUR disadvantages of information immediacy in a workplace (12marks)

QUESTION 5 [20 MARKS]

- a) With reference to organization transparency, answer the following questions.
- i) Explain the term organization transparency (2marks)
 - ii) Using an example in each case, highlight FOUR challenges of organization transparency (8marks)
- b) Explain FIVE advantages of outsourcing IT in firms (5marks)
- c) Identify FIVE areas where Information technology could be outsourced (5marks)
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