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FACULTY OF SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE
2022_2 EXAMINATIONS

COURSE CODE: CIT801

COURSE TITLE: FOUNDATION OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

CREDIT: 3 UNITS

TIME ALLOWED: 2½ HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION 1 AND ANY OTHER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

Q1 – 22 marks, 4 others 12 marks each

Q1.

- (a) Discuss three main ways in which information may be classified. (6 marks)
- (b) Justify the need to process data and information (3 marks)
- (c) Mention and give examples of the four categories of computer hardware (8 marks)
- (d) Identify the five (5) activities that may be performed on the internet. (5 marks)

Q2.

- (a) Briefly explain the following terms:
 - i. Database Normalization (2 marks)
 - ii. Cache Memory (2 marks)
 - iii. Expansion Slot (2 marks)
 - iv. Database Administrator (DBA) (2 marks)
- (b) Differentiate between Local Area Networks and Wide Area Networks (4 marks)

Q3.

- (a) Explain the four (4) types of systems program (8 marks)
- (b) Describe the Central Processing Unit and identify two of its main functions (4 marks)

Q4.

- (a) Describe a communication network? (2 marks)
- (b) Discuss three (3) main advantages of using networks? (6 marks)
- (c) List four (4) common networking devices. (4 marks)

Q5.

- (a) Differentiate between flat database and relational database. (4 marks)
- (b) List the four (4) major determinants of computer speed. (4 marks)
- (c) Identify four (4) data collection techniques commonly used by system analysts. (4 marks)

Q6.

- (a) Mention four (4) main objectives of Database Management Systems (4 marks)
- (b) Distinguish between e-mail, instant message, and chat session. (6 marks)
- (c) When was the WWW launched and where? (2 marks)