

## NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA FACULTY OF SCIENCES

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT Plot 91, Cadastral Zone, Nnamdi Azikwe Expressway, Jabi, Abuja 2024 1 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: ESM 407

COURSE TITLE: GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM

CREDIT: 3 Units

TIME ALLOWED: 3 Hours

Instruction: Attempt question number ONE (1) and any other THREE (3) questions. Question number one (1) carries 25 marks, while the other questions carry 15 marks each.

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- a. List the threats that low awareness poses to effective and efficient GIS implementation in Nigeria. (7 marks)
- b. Discuss the requirements for GIS implementation (6 marks)
- c. What is situational analysis? (2 marks)
- d. How can three dimensional models be used within a GIS in analysing the effect of the earth's terrain? (7 marks).
- e. What are the sources of non-spatial (attribute) data? (3 marks)

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- a. How can GIS be used for visualization? (5 marks)
- b. Compare and contrast GIS with other information systems. (2 marks)
- c. What is line feature? (3 marks)
- d. Explain GIS utilization in street network-based application. (5 marks)

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- a. How can GIS be used in natural resource management and environmental impact analysis? (5 marks)
- b. What is polygonal geographical feature? (5 marks)
- c. Briefly explain the fact that the true power of GIS lies in its ability to integrate information and to help in making decisions. (5 marks)

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- a. Explain Modern Geographic Information System (5 marks)
- b. Mention five geographical features. (5 marks)