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(CICM 13M)

**EIS 1101: FUNDAMENTALS OF INFORMATION SECURITY**

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION  
SERIES: DECEMBER 2013  
TIME: 2 HOURS

**Instructions to Candidates:**

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Attempt question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions  
Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown  
This paper consists of **THREE** printed pages

### **Question One (Compulsory)**

- a) Define information security **(2 marks)**
- b) Differentiate between availability and integrity in relation to information security. **(4 marks)**
- c) Discuss different attacks that may cause threats to information system **(6 marks)**
- d) Describe the following in relation to information security.
  - (i) Encryption
  - (ii) Non-repudiation
  - (iii) Authenticity
  - (iv) Confidentiality **(8 marks)**
- e) Describe **THREE** types of malicious code **(6 marks)**
- f) Define risk assessment **(2 marks)**
- g) State **TWO** emerging information security challenges **(2 marks)**

### **Question Two**

- a) Why is it significance to secure information **(6 marks)**
- b) Describe the following measures of information security in computer systems **(8 marks)**
  - (i) Firewall
  - (ii) Backup
  - (iii) Access authorization
  - (iv) Intrusion detection systems
- c) Discuss different recovery measures that may be taken in case of data loss. **(6 marks)**

### **Question Three**

- a) State the function of a proxy server **(2 marks)**
- b) State and explain **TWO** physical threats and ways of reducing those threats **(4 marks)**
- c) Discuss various ways of preparing for a disaster **(4 marks)**
- d) State and explain **THREE** types of network attacks **(10 marks)**

### **Question Four**

- a) Define “disaster recovery plan” **(2 marks)**
- b) State and describe the procedure of performing risk assessment **(8 marks)**
- c) Discuss the policies of disaster preparedness **(10 marks)**

### **Question Five**

- a) Distinguish between data and information **(2 marks)**
- b) State the difference between Trojan horse and spyware and how it causes harm to information. **(4 marks)**
- c) Differentiate between intrusion detection systems and firewall **(4 marks)**
- d) Describe the following in relation to information security. **(10 marks)**
- (i)** Malicious hackers
  - (ii)** Employee sabotage
  - (iii)** Eavesdropping
  - (iv)** Social engineering
  - (v)** Human error