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EIT 2101: COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2011

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer booklet*

Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** in section A and any other two questions from section **B**

This paper consists of **THREE** printed pages

SECTION A (30 marks)

Question 1 (compulsory)

- a) Define an operating system (2marks)
- b) Give examples of the operating system (3marks)
- c) Write short notes on the following terms as used in computing (5 marks)
- i. program
 - ii. Icon
 - iii. Shortcut bar
 - iv. Window
 - v. Dialog box
- d) In order to effect any change in a document, you must select it, write down **FIVE** methods of selecting a document in ms word. (5marks)
- e) With an Aid of a diagram explain functions of computer system (8marks)
- f) Distinguish between ROM and RAM (4marks)
- g) State **FOUR** areas where spreadsheets are applicable. (2marks)
- h) Write down the procedure of copying and pasting data in MS excel (3marks)

SECTION B 40 MARKS

Question 2 (20 marks)

- a) What is a folder; write down steps to follow when creating a folder in windows explorer.
(5marks)
- b) Write down the steps for renaming a file or a folder. (2marks)
- c) Explain **FIVE** basic features found in MS word (5marks)
- d) What is mail merge, outlining **THREE** steps to follow when mail merging, then write down the procedures followed when mail merging. (5marks)
- e) Write down the procedure to follow when inserting a table in a document in MS word
(3marks)

Question 3 (20 marks)

- a) Define the term software and give **THREE** classifications of software (5 Marks)
- b) List down the factors to consider when selecting a printer (3Marks)
- c) What does the acronym DBMS stand for? (2Marks)
- d) Name **FOUR** Databases in the market? (2 Marks)
- e) Give **FOUR** importance of operating system (4marks)

- i) Describe input devices explaining Three common input devices (4marks)

Question 4 20 marks

- a) Write down the steps for renaming a file or a folder. (3marks)
b) Explain **FIVE** basic features found in MS word (5marks)
c) Write down procedures that are followed when applying slide timing (4marks)
d) Write down the procedures for rotating object/ text to different angle/ places in ms PowerPoint

(3marks)

- e) state and explain **FIVE** advantage of a computer (5marks)

Question 5 20 marks

- a) Distinguish between hardware and software? (2marks)
b) Name and explain **TWO** classifications of software's (4marks)
c) List down **FOUR** font attributes you can change (2 marks)
d) How would you perform the following
(i) Insert a worksheet
(ii) Rename a worksheet
(iii) Insert a worksheet
(iv) Insert a column (4 Marks)
e) What is a primary key? (2 marks)
f) Name **FOUR** common components of Microsoft access Database. (2marks)
g) Write down the procedure for creating a table using a blank database option in ms access

(4marks)