



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2016/2017

SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

ISC 801: INFORMATION ORGANIZATION II: CLASSIFICATION

DATE: Tuesday 9th May 2017

TIME: 9.00a.m-12.00p.m

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions.

- Q.1) Giving appropriate examples, explain the following terms as used in classification.
- i) Relative index (6 Marks)
 - ii) General class (6 Marks)
 - iii) Species (6 Marks)
 - iv) Natural classification (6 Marks)
 - v) Special classification scheme (6 Marks)
- Q.2) Explain why classification of library information materials by subject is preferred to other methods of arrangement. (20 Marks)
- Q.3) Discuss book rotation with special reference to qualities expected of it. (20 Marks)
- Q.4) Explain the criteria you would use in selecting a classification scheme for library use. (20 Marks)
- Q.5) i) Differentiate between individual and collective biographies. (2 Marks)
- ii) Explain how biographies can be classified within specific subject areas using the DDC citing both advantages and disadvantages of this method. (18 Marks)