KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

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

ISC 805: COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT

DATE: TUESDAY 16TH MAY 2017 **TIME: 9.00 A.M. - 12.00 P.M.**

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer question ONE and any other Two questions

1. a) Why are libraries urged to have written collection development policies. (5 marks)

   b) What aspects of collection development should be included in such a policy? (25 marks)

2. What selection criteria should determine the resources that a library should acquire for its users? (20 marks)

3. Critically discuss the value of reference books in a modern library collection (20 marks)

4. What challenges does the availability of e-resources pose for the acquisition librarian? (20 marks)

5. Why should acquisition librarians be concerned about censorship as they acquire resources for their libraries? (20 marks)