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## EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTERS IN JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION

MJAC 814: NEWS GATHERING, WRITING AND INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING

STREAMS: MJACPT/SB TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 08/04/2021 8.30 A.M. – 11.30 A.M.

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Answer any four questions: All questions carry equal marks
- Do not write on the question paper
- 1. Good sports writing, unlike news writing is a mixture of facts and interaction spiced with comments. Discuss. (20 marks)
- 2. Discuss why it is difficult to determine who a journalist is today (20 marks)
- 3. Discuss the shortcomings of a telephone interview as a means of gathering information.

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- 4. "An investigative reporter is half cop, half poet" (Bolch and Miller, 1978). Discuss the statement above. (20 marks)
- 5. Assume that you are the CEO, communication authority of Kenya. Write a press release to be sent to all media houses in Kenya warning of dangers of fake news. (20 marks)