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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR  
OF SCIENCE IN INFORMATION SCIENCE

BSIS 321: DESKTOP PUBLISHING

STREAMS: BSIS

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 19/04/2023

2.30 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Attempt question ONE and any other TWO questions
- Do not write anything on the question paper

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- (a) Define the following terms as used in Desktop Publishing studies. [5 marks]
- Graphic design
  - Printing
  - Margins
  - Layout
  - Sketching
- (b) Discuss the steps that a design using Ms. Publisher to design a calendar follows from the beginning of the process to the end. [10 marks]
- (c) Discuss E-publishing and the role that desktop publishing has played in establishment of this new form of publishing [10 marks]
- (d) Explain five advantages of print publishing in the modern society. [5 marks]

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- (a) You have been contracted by Chuka University communications department to design for them a graduation booklet. Discuss the various phases of DTP process. [10 marks]

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- (b) Discuss the principles of art and design [10 marks]

### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- (a) The desktop publishing process today involves a number of software. Two major categories of some software are graphic design based while others are page layout-based software. Describe any six examples of each category. [12 marks]
- (b) Define the term master Page and explain how it is used in the design of multipage document using a page layout based DTP program. [8 marks]

### QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS]

- (a) Microsoft publisher is a template-based desktop publishing programs that lets a designer edit and modifies various design publication. Explain five disadvantages of using MS publisher. [10 marks]
- (b) Examine FIVE factors to be considered in order for the application of typography in the design of a publication to be effective. [10 marks]

### QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS]

- (a) As an information/knowledge management expert, discuss with appropriate examples the use and application of desktop publishing in libraries. [10 marks]
- (b) Illustrate the critical features f graphic editing software that are key tin desktop publishing industry. [10 marks]
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