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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF  
BACHELOR OF LIBRARY INFORMATION SCIENCE**

**LINS 470: LAW LIBRARIANSHIP**

**STREAMS: LINS**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: MONDAY 03/12/2018**

**11.30 AM – 1.30 PM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Answer Question One and any other Two Questions**

**QUESTION 1**

- (a) Law librarianship is a multidisciplinary course. Discuss. [12 marks]
- (b) Compare and contrast primary and secondary law authorities. [12 marks]
- (c) Discuss 6 challenges that academic law libraries face and identify solutions. [6 marks]

**SECTION B (40 MARKS – ANSWER ANY 2 QUESTIONS)**

**QUESTION 2**

Briefly discuss how the following technology has brought about change in law libraries.

- (i) Institutional repositories [10 marks]
- (ii) RSS feeds [10 marks]

**QUESTION 3**

- (a) What features make law libraries unique from other libraries? [5 marks]
- (b) Develop a collection development policy for a law library of your choice. [15 marks]

**QUESTION 4**

(a) Discuss the disadvantages of using a general classification scheme in a law library. [10 marks]

(b) Explain reasons why law libraries may consider buying print materials despite the availability of the same in electronic format. [10 marks]

**QUESTION FIVE**

(a) Explain how law libraries ensure that they reach out/meet the needs of distance education students and prospective students. [10 marks]

(b) Discuss reviews as a selection tool for law libraries stating its disadvantages. [10 marks]

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