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**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD CERTIFICATE IN CRIMINOLOGY  
AND SECURITY STUDIES, CERTIFICATE IN TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY**

**COSC 00102: INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER APPLICATIONS**

**STREAMS: CERT CRSS, CERT TOHM**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 17/04/2019**

**2.30 P.M - 4.30 P.M.**

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer question **ONE** and **TWO** other questions
- This is a **closed book exam**, No reference materials are allowed in the examination room
- There will be **NO** use of mobile phones or any other unauthorized materials

**SECTION A (ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION)**

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- a. With the aid of a well labelled diagram, describe the general architecture of a computer. (6 Marks)
- b. List TWO examples of each of the following parts of a computer. (4 Marks)
- Output Device*
  - Input Device*
- c. Distinguish between each of the following terms: (4 marks)
- RAM and ROM
  - System Software and Application Software
  - Internet and World Wide Web
- d. Distinguish between each of the following terms: (4 Marks)
- Password and IP Address
  - Search Engine and Server
- e. Distinguish between animation and transition as used in presentations. (4 Marks)

- f. Explain each of the following word processing features. (6 marks)
  - i. Word Wrap
  - ii. Formatting
  - iii. Proof-reading

**SECTION B (ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS)**

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a. State and explain THREE ways that viruses can be spread. (6 Marks)
- b. Discuss each of the following major functions of operating systems. (8 Marks)
- c. Discuss THREE types of Operating systems and provide an example in each. (4Marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a. Browsing/surfing refers to the process of accessing Internet resources. Explain three ways of browsing/surfing. (6 Marks)
- b. List any FOUR **main** uses of the Internet. (4 Marks)
- c. List FOUR examples of browsers. (4 Marks)
- d. Explain the difference between LAN, MAN and WAN types of networks (6 Marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- a. Explain the difference between the following features of spreadsheets.
  - i. Relative Reference and Absolute Reference (4 Marks)
  - ii. Sort and Filter (4 Marks)
- b. Provide any FOUR examples of charts that can be generated in MS-Excel. (4 Marks)
- c. Discuss FOUR examples of Excel functions and illustrate their use with an example. (8 Marks)
- d. State FOUR examples of secondary storage devices on a computer. (4 Marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a.) Discuss the roles of computers in the society today. (10 Marks)
- b.) Computers can be classified in terms of speed, size and purpose. Explain FIVE classifications of computers according to size. (10 Marks)

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