



**THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES**

Semester I  Semester II  Supplemental/Summer School

**Examinations of December  /April/May  /July  2018**

Originating Campus: Cave Hill  Mona  St. Augustine

Course Code and Title: **LIBS6002 – INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION AND SOCIETY**

Date:

Time:

Duration: **3 Hours**

Paper No:

Materials required:

Answer booklet: Normal  Special  Not required

Calculator: Programmable  Non Programmable   
(where applicable)

Multiple Choice answer sheets: numerical  alphabetical  1-20  1-100

Auxiliary/Other material(s) – Please specify:

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Candidates are permitted to bring the following items to their desks:

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**Instructions to Candidates: This paper has 2 pages & 6 questions.**

Candidates are reminded that the examiners shall take into account the proper use of the English Language in determining the mark for each response.

**YOU ARE REQUIRED TO ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS.**

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1. a. Differentiate between the knowledge society and the information society and explain their relationship to the digital divide.
- b. On what side of the digital divide do you believe your country would fall? Justify your answer.
  
2. a. Using any model of the communication process, explain **THREE (3)** ways in which Information and Communication Technologies have impacted the communication process since the 1990s.
- b. Discuss **TWO (2)** barriers to effective communication in the workplace and present **ONE (1)** way each of these can be reduced or eliminated.
  
3. a. Draw and label a model of the scholarly communication process.
- b. Explain what happens at each stage in the process.
- c. Justify the importance of peer reviewing an article prior to publication.
  
4. “The Internet is for lonely people. People should live.” — Charlton Heston  
 Discuss **FIVE (5)** points in support of **OR** in opposition to the statement above. Use examples where necessary to enrich your response.
  
5. a. Explain **TWO (2)** rights and **TWO (2)** responsibilities in the information society as advocated by Nick Moore.
- b. As an Information Professional, what do you see as your role in educating individuals about these rights and responsibilities? Justify your response.
  
6. a. Explain the role of information policy within the information society.
- b. Discuss the importance of the World Summit on the Information Society’s 2003 Plan of Action in the development of information policies and strategies within the Caribbean, using examples where necessary.

**END OF PAPER**

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