



**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: **LIBS6301 – BIBLIOGRAPHY AND REFERENCE METHODS AND MATERIALS**

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.**

**DO THREE (3) QUESTIONS.**

**AT LEAST ONE (1) QUESTION MUST BE DONE FROM EACH SECTION.**

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**SECTION A (each question worth 20 marks)**

1. "Bibliographic standards provide the foundation for successful resource sharing." Discuss the **FOUR (4)** objectives of bibliographic standards, and explain how these are accomplished within the library environment.
2. Caribbean-related information is becoming accessible due to the growing availability of a range of access management tools. Discuss how **ONE (1)** of these tools would be most suitable for a library of your choice.
3. Explain the role of National and Trade bibliographies. Discuss the impact of technology on these bibliographies.

**SECTION B (each question worth 20 marks)**

4. Why is the encyclopedia a valuable reference source? Discuss **THREE (3)** advantages and **THREE (3)** disadvantages of acquiring **online** encyclopedias for an information unit of your choice.
5. "Virtual reference is more than simply making the library's OPAC available on the web." Discuss the statement and elaborate on **FOUR (4)** of the elements needed for an effective virtual reference service.
6. a) Using Grogan's model, explain the **SIX (6)** stages of the reference process, and the activities that take place at each stage.  
  
b) Discuss the responsibilities of the Reference Librarian in ensuring that the user's information needs are satisfied.

**END OF EXAMINATION**

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