



# **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

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FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND  
INFORMATION SCIENCES  
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS FOR THE  
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
(COMPUTER SCIENCE)**

**COURSE CODE: INS 407  
COURSE TITLE: FREEDOM OF  
INFORMATION AND  
GOVERNANCE**

**DATE: 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2019  
10.30AM**

**TIME: 8.30AM -**

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## **INSTRUCTIONS**

Answer **Question ONE** and any other **TWO** Questions.

### **SECTION A**

#### **QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY 30 MARKS)**

a) Explain the implication of Article 35(1) of the Kenyan constitution on access to information.

**(6 Marks)**

b) Discuss the **FOUR** ethical issues involved in sharing information.

**(8**

**Marks)**

c) Differentiate between accountability for the management of resources and administrative accountability in freedom of information and governance.

**(6 Marks)**

d) Explain the nature of information that the government can withhold from the public according to law.

**(5 Marks)**

e) Discuss the significance of free access to information by the public.

**(5**

**Marks)**

### **SECTION B**

#### **QUESTION TWO**

One of the great concerns in any society governed by the Rule of Law is the use, or more importantly the misuse, of administrative discretion by public authorities. Discuss the legal framework of free access to information.

**(20 Marks)**

#### **QUESTION THREE**

a) Discuss the significance of free access to information.

**(10 Marks)**

b) Explain the challenges facing free access to information in Kenya.

**(10 Marks)**

#### **QUESTION FOUR**

“Openness and transparency is essential to the proper functioning of a democratic state that citizens should be better informed about the activities of government.”

Discuss. **(20 Marks)**

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