



# MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY  
EXAMINATIONS  
2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR  
FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER  
EXAMINATIONS  
FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF  
SCIENCE IN  
INFORMATION SCIENCES**

**SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND  
INFORMATION SCIENCES**

**COURSE CODE : INS 8116**

**COURSE TITLE : AUTOMATION OF  
LIBRARIES AND  
INFORMATION CENTERS**

**DATE : 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2019**  
**5.30 PM**

**TIME : 2.30 -**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer question one and any other Two (2) Questions.

Q1a). Discuss how the application of ICTs has transformed the provision of information services in academic libraries

**(10 marks).**

b). Explain why plagiarism has become a major concern of scholarship in institutions of higher learning today

**(10 marks)**

Q2a). As an information manager, explain the factors you need to consider when choosing a library automation systems.

**(10 marks)**

b). Discuss the challenges of managing staff and users with the rise demand of e-resources in information centers.

**(10 marks)**

Q3a). Discuss the ethical information ethics issues arising from the use of ICTs in society today and suggest measures to be taken to curb these vices.

**(20 marks)**

Q4a). Discuss the potential of open access initiatives in enhancing access and utilization of information services (using institutional repositories).

**(10 marks)**

b) Discuss how the social media has transformed information flow in society today.

**(10 marks)**

Q5). Discuss the prospects and challenges of managing electronic records in government offices today.

**(20 marks)**

Q6a). Discuss how ICTs have facilitated information flow among rural communities in Kenya. **(10 marks)**

b). Explain how the use of ICTs has affected the integrity of records. **(10 marks)**

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