

COLLEGE OF HEALTH, AGRICULTURE & NATURAL SCIENCES

NANR 304: GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS

END OF SECOND SEMESTER FINAL EXAMINATIONS

APRIL 2023

LECTURER: MS. B. BOLO

DURATION: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

Do NOT write your name on the answer sheet.

Answer (fully) questions.

Begin your answer for each question on a new page.

Credit is given for neat, well-written and lucid work.

SECTION A [COMPULSARY]

Section A: [50 MARKS]

- 1. What are the differences between spatial data and attribute data? (4 Marks)
- 2. List five (5) elements of a Map layout and discuss their importance (10 Marks).
- 3. Discuss the advantages of vector GIS data compared to raster data (6 Marks).
- 4. What is Geographical Information System? (5 Marks)
- 5. Describe a typical application of GIS in an area of your choice. In your description, include a statement of the problem, how the data would be collected, analyzed, and how the results are best presented. **(25 marks)**

SECTION B [CHOOSE AND ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS]

Section B: [50 MARKS]

- What is the value of GIS in the industry? Discuss in detail four (4) functions of GIS.
 (25 Marks).
- 2. All maps must have map scales to represent the ratio of an object on the ground and on paper. Explain in detail three types of map scales with examples.

(25 Marks).

- Information technologies and systems are important to the society, discuss the future of GIS technologies and systems to the society. (25 Marks).
- 4. Discuss a specific example of how you can use GIS to solve a problem of an international environmental issue. (25 Marks)