



*“Investing in Africa’s Future”*

**COLLEGE OF HEALTH, AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL SCIENCES**

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**END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

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## **INSTRUCTIONS**

ANSWER **ALL** QUESTIONS FROM SECTION A AND **ANY THREE (3)** FROM SECTION B

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THE MARK ALLOCATION FOR EACH QUESTION IS INDICATED AT THE END OF THE QUESTION

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CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN FOR LOGICAL, SYSTEMATIC AND NEAT PRESENTATION

## **SECTION A [40 MARKS]**

### **ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**

#### **QUESTION 1**

- i. What do you understand by Health Informatics [5]
- ii. Why do we need informatics? [5]

#### **QUESTION 2**

What are the barriers to introducing / using HER in your country? [10]

#### **QUESTION 3**

List and explain the KEY elements of informatics [10]

#### **QUESTION 4**

Identify the factors motivating the implementation of INFORMATICS in Africa [10]

## **SECTION B [60 MARKS]**

### **ANSWER 3 QUESTIONS ONLY**

#### **QUESTION 5**

Explain with the aid of a diagram the data handling process in the information cycle [20]

#### **QUESTION 6**

There are several key models in health informatics that approach how to effectively integrate technology systems and people • These include: – Technology Acceptance Model – Disruptive Innovation – Diffusion of Innovation – Sociotechnical Theory Model Define and explain each of the above models. [20]

#### **QUESTION 7**

Explain the following subsets of Health Informatics: [20]

1. Medical informatics (MI)
2. Public Health informatics
3. Consumer health informatics
4. Nursing informatics (NI)
5. Dental Informatics
6. Clinical Informatics

7. Pharmacy Informatics
8. Biomedical informatics
9. Translational bioinformatics
- 10. Computational health informatics (CHI)**

**QUESTION 8**

What are the advantages and disadvantages of paper based and electronic medical record systems [20]