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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR

FOURTHYEAR FIRST SEMESTER REGULAREXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS/BUSINESS STUDIES)

COURSE CODE:

GEO 111

COURSE TITLE:

INTRODUCTION TO REMOTE SENSING AND

DATE:

20/1/2022

TIME: 2-5PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

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THIS PAPER CONSISTS OF 3 PRINTED PAGES

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DURATION: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- i. Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions.
- ii. Maps, sketches and diagrams should be used whenever they serve to illustrate the answer.
- iii. Do not write on the question paper.

Question One

a) Define the following terms as used in remote sensing:

i. Sensor (2 Marks)

ii. Platform (2 Marks)

iii. Target (2 Marks)

b) Explain the difference between modern remote sensing and traditional aerial photography.

(4 Marks)

- c) Alupe University College is planning to set up a GIS laboratory.
 - i. Explain to the administration the stages which will be followed in setting up the GIS laboratory.
 (12 Marks)
 - ii. Explain the challenges which might be encountered during the implementation of the GIS laboratory. (8 Marks)

Question Two

- a) Discuss main classification of sensor platforms used in remote sensing. (12 Marks)
- b) Explain how sensors used in remote sensing use electromagnetic energy radiation to detect image of an object. (8 Marks)

Question Three

- a) Describe FIVE commonly used passive sensors in remote sensing. (10 Marks)
- b) Explain advantages of GIS maps over conventional paper maps. (10 Marks)

Question Four

- a) Discuss circumstances which may lead to occurrence of errors in a GIS. (12 Marks)
- b) Explain measures which can be taken to minimize occurrence of errors in a GIS.

(8 Marks)

Question Five

a) Using illustrations, describe the following data models used in GIS:

i. Hierarchical model (5 Marks)

ii. Network model (5 Marks)

b) Explain advantages of vector data format used in GIS. (10 Marks)
