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FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR SCIENCE IN COMPUTER

SCIENCE/BACHELOR OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

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COURSE TITLE: COMPUTER PROGRAMMING

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QUESTION ONE

- a) Describe the steps that are followed when executing a C program. (5marks)
- b) The basic structure of C program comprises of the different elements. Discuss these elements. (5marks)
- i. Preprocessor statements
 - ii. Main()
 - iii. A pair of curl brace { }
 - iv. Declaration
 - v. User defined functions
- c) Explain any five characteristics of a C program. (5marks)
- d) What are the rules for constructing variable names? (4marks)
- e) Explain the meaning of Integrated Development Environments (IDE) (2marks)
- f) Give two disadvantages of the machine and assembly languages. (2marks)
- g) Write a simple C program to calculate the average of two numbers. (5marks)
- h) Define pointers as used in programming (2marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Discuss the If.....Else statement. Give the syntax. (5marks)
- b) Explain the aim of the code below and give the output it will produce. What will make this code not to execute. (5marks)
- c) Describe the steps used in a computer program development life cycle (6 marks)
- d) Discuss call by reference and call by value. (4marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Explain the meaning of the following programming terms:
- i. **Local variables.** (2marks)
 - ii. Global variables. (2marks)
 - iii. Static variables. (2marks)
- b) State three categories under which functions can be categorized (3marks)
- c) What is an array? (2marks)

d) Loop statements are important in any program when one wants to repeat statements again and again. Draw a while loop data flow diagram in C programming (5marks)

e) Explain giving examples any three escape sequence characters in C language (4marks)

QUESTION FOUR

a) Explain four advantages of functions in c programming language (5marks)

b) Outline the components of a computer system. (5marks)

c) Differentiate the following data types in C language (5marks)

d) Differentiate compilers and interpreters. (4marks)

e) What is a computer program? (1mark).

QUESTION FIVE

a) Discuss six guiding principles of designing a good computer programme (6 marks)

b) Distinguish between system programming and application programming. (4 marks)

c) Clasify with examples ,computer programming languages into first to fifth languages.

(10marks)