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FOR THE CERTIFICATE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
CIT 1005 – INTRODUCTION TO SYSTEM ANALYSIS AND DESIGN

Date: 19TH APRIL 2023
Time: 2:30pM – 4:30pM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Distinguish between the following terms as used in system analysis and design.
- i. Logical and Physical design. (2 Marks)
 - ii. Milestones and Deliverables. (2 Marks)
 - iii. Systems validation and System Verification. (2 Marks)
 - iv. Probabilistic and deterministic systems (2 Marks)
- b) Explain six roles played by the system analyst during information system development (6 Marks)
- c) Explain four reasons why information system projects may fail. (4 Marks)
- d) Explain the meaning of the following terms. (4 Marks)
- i. Database architecture.
 - ii. Database management system.
- e) As a system analyst on the development team, you chair a meeting to define the aims of system improvement with the project owners and users. Describe any 3 reasons why system improvement is done. (6 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe the system development life cycle (10 Marks)
- b) Discuss the main role of a system analyst in a software project management (3 Marks)
- c) Using your own words define “effective system” (2 Marks)
- d) Discuss main characteristics of user interface (5 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) State and explain the three advantages and two disadvantages of using questionnaires as a technique (5 Marks)
- b) Explain any three desirable properties of good system design (6 Marks)
- c) Describe software usability (2 Marks)
- d) Identify the main factors contributing to software usability (4 Marks)
- e) Explain the advantages of flow chart (3 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR: (20 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms as used in System Analysis and Design.
- i. System
 - ii. Sub-System
 - iii. System Design
 - iv. Information System
 - v. Feasibility. (10 Marks)
- b) Discuss different types of system in System Analysis and Design. (10 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE: (20 MARKS)

- a) With the aid of a sketch in each case, outline three components of system flow chart. (5 Marks)
- b) Outline the strengths of object oriented methodology as used in system development (5 Marks)
- c) Differentiate between black box and white box testing methods. (5 Marks)
- d) Paul intends to use case diagram to analyze a proposed information system. Outline five advantages he would realize while using the tools. (5 Marks)