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UNIVERSITY REGULAR EXAMINATIONS

2013 /2014 ACADEMIC YEAR

1ST YEAR 2ND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

(MAIN EXAMINATION)

**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
COMPUTER SCIENE**

COURSE CODE: COS 102

COURSE TITLE: COMMUNICATION SKILLS 1

DATE: APRIL 2014

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

- Answer all the questions in the answer book provided

RESEARCH SKILLS (25MKS)

- a) Define the term ‘Research’. Mention and explain briefly any FOUR reasons of carrying out research (10mks)
- b) Identify THREE methods/techniques of carrying out research. Mention the advantages and disadvantages of each (12mks)
- c) List and explain briefly the parts of a research report (8mks)

2. ORAL PRESENTATION SKILLS (20mks)

- a) Identify and explain 4 characteristics of an effective speaker (4mks)
- b) List and explain 4 attributes of a good visual aid (8mks)
- c) Identify and explain 4 ways to avoid stage fright (8mks)

WRITING SKILLS 15MARKS)

- a) A student wrote the following conclusion to an essay:

From the above discussion, it is clear that there are many reasons for teacher absenteeism. The solutions I have suggested will be useful in improving the presence of teachers in schools and consequently improve the academic achievements of students.

- i) Write an appropriate title for this essay (2mks)
- ii) Write the outline that the student used to write the essay (5mks)
- iii) List the types of evidence that she would use in the essay (3mks)
- iv) Who would be the target of this essay and why? (2mks)
- v) List 6 things she would do as part of streamlining her essay (3mks)