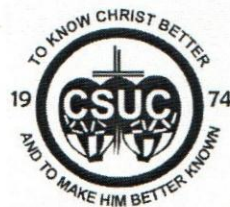


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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Provide all answer in the **booklet** provided

Answer **questions two (2) and three (3)** and **any** other question.

Note: Marks will be awarded for clarity of expression (grammar) and logical presentation of facts.

Write your index number clearly at the top of the question paper

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1.
  - a. The 1992 Constitution provides for freedom of the media. These are outlined in a number of articles. State **three** clauses under Article 21 and what they say about fundamental freedoms.
  - b. Article 41 provides that rights must have corresponding responsibility. State **three** clauses under this article.
  - c. State **three** provisions that are under article 162
  - d. Which articles provide for the establishment and functions of the National Media Commission?
  - e. What does Article 33 (5) provide?
2.
  - a. State five universal principles in a code of ethics for media
  - b. Explain **five** values which result from ethical conduct in journalism.
  - c. State **five** of the common ethical breaches in the Ghanaian media.
  - d. What rights are protected under the copyright law?
  - e. How long is copyright protection?
3.
  - a. Name four works protected under the copyright law Act 2005 (Act 690)
  - b. State and briefly explain the **four** major defenses under defamation.
  - c. Copyright protection of works of folklore is vested in which body or authority?
  - d. Which provision under the 1992 constitution guarantees the freedom and independence of media?
4.
  - a. State the provision in the 1992 constitution which debars the National Media Commission from interfering in the work of journalists.
  - b. What are the main grounds for establishing defamation?
  - c. What are the **two** types of defamation?
  - d. What provision in the 1992 constitution provides that contempt of court is a crime although it is not defined in a written law?

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5.
  - a. What does Article 19 (11) say in terms of crime?
  - b. Briefly define contempt of court.
  - c. Name the **three** bodies or institutions with more than one representative in National Media Commission and the number of their representative each.
  - d. State **two** types of contempt of court.