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Originating Campus: Cave Hill ☐ Mona ☒ St. Augustine ☐

Mode: On Campus ☒ By Distance ☐

Course Code and Title: **COMP 2140 Introduction to Software Engineering**

Date: **Monday, December 10, 2012**

Time: **9:00 AM – 12:00 noon**

Duration: **2** Hours.

Paper No:

Materials required:

Answer booklet: Normal ☒ Special ☐ Not required ☐

Calculator: Programmable ☐ Non Programmable ☐
(where applicable)

Multiple Choice answer sheets: numerical ☐ alphabetical ☐ 1-20 ☐ 1-100 ☐

Auxiliary/Other material(s) – Please specify:

Candidates are permitted to bring the following items to their desks:

Instructions to Candidates: This paper has 3 pages & 4 questions.

Candidates are reminded that the examiners shall take into account the proper use of the English Language in determining the mark for each response.

Do Question 1 and Any Other Two

Question 1 *General Question [30 marks] [Compulsory Question]*

- a) *Software Engineering Ethics*: With particular reference to the IEEE/ACM Software Engineering Code of Ethics and Professional Practice or to any other such code of ethics and professional practice defend the of the key issues raised. **[7 marks]**
- b) *Software Processes*:
 - i. State the key differences between a named plan-driven approach and an agile approach to software development. **[3 marks]**
 - ii. With each stated difference above discuss why the agile approach is better/worse. **[4 marks]**
- c) *Requirements*: You have been asked to put together a team to find out and document the requirements for a large software system. What skill sets would you be looking for? Explain. **[3 marks]**
- d) *System Modelling*: What are the most widely used UML diagrams and what is the purpose of each. **[3 marks]**
- e) *Project Management*: Project management involves several activities such as risk management. What are the other possible activities? What does risk management entail? **[5 marks]**
- f) *Configuration Management*:
 - i. Explain briefly the difference (if any) between a software version and a release. **[2 marks]**
 - ii. State what role a repository plays in software configuration management and briefly explain two operations that a user can perform with repository objects. **[3 marks]**

Question 2 *Requirements [15 marks]*

Refer to the project that you did for your coursework.

- a) List five functional and two non-functional requirements for the system. **[5 marks]**
- b) Draw a UML diagram showing the functional requirements for the same system. **[3 marks]**
- c) Briefly describe a recommended process for gathering requirements. **[3 marks]**
- d) Give a recommended format for a complete and exhaustive requirements document. **[4 marks]**

Question 3 *System Modelling [15 marks]*

- a) Draw a labeled diagram representing the layered architecture. What are the important characteristics of this architecture? **[8 marks]**
- b) Compare the layered architecture to another architecture of your choice. Give two examples showing the suitability of using the two architectures. **[7 marks]**

Question 4 *Testing [15 marks]*

- a) Distinguish between verification and validation. **[3 marks]**
- b) Give a brief statement of what each of the following involves, say at what stage(s) of the software lifecycle each is used, and who is involved in each case.
 - i. Unit testing **[3 marks]**
 - ii. User Acceptance testing **[3 marks]**
 - iii. Release testing **[3 marks]**
- c) Explain briefly what is meant by the term regression testing. **[3 marks]**

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