



# THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES

## EXAMINATION OF DECEMBER 2007

Code and Name of Course: *LS60A – FOUNDATIONS OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION STUDIES*

Paper:

Date and Time: *December 5, 2007: 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.*

Duration: **3 hrs.**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES: This paper has 1 page(s) and 6 questions**

**ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS. EACH QUESTION CARRIES EQUAL MARKS.**

1. Identify and comment on **FIVE (5)** social factors, past and present that have contributed to the development of libraries.
2. As information professionals how would you ensure that you provide access to timely, accurate and well-organized information?
3. What are **FIVE (5)** barriers that users are likely to encounter when seeking information? How can libraries alleviate these problems?
4. Give **FOUR (4)** reasons for a National Information Policy and indicate **SIX (6)** areas that it should cover.
5. Identify and comment on **FIVE (5)** characteristics of an effective librarian.
6. What are **FIVE (5)** challenges facing publishers in the Caribbean and how do these affect Caribbean libraries?

**END OF PAPER**