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## University Examinations 2024/2025

FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN  
COMPUTER SECURITY AND FORENSICS

### CCF 3401: INFORMATION SECURITY POLICY AND COMPLIANCE

**DATE: DECEMBER 2024**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Answer question *ONE* (Compulsory) and any other *TWO* questions

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#### QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms as used in information security policy and compliance (5 Marks)
- Privacy-enhancing technologies (PET)
  - Monitoring
  - Compliance
  - Audit
  - Privacy
- b) Explain any THREE (3) key data protection principles (6 Marks)
- c) Describe FIVE (5) considerations to make when implementing Security Policy (5 Marks)
- d) Outline FIVE (5) benefits of information security policies to an organization (5 Marks)
- e) Referencing the Kenyan DataProtectionAct\_No24of2019, explain the meaning of data commissioner, data controller, data processor and data subject (4 Marks)
- f) Discuss the challenges organizations face when developing and implementing security policies (5 Marks)

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## **QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a) Explain the role of policies, standards, guidelines, and procedures in an organization (4 Marks)
- b) Describe the key elements of an effective security policy (4 Marks)
- c) Compare and contrast Enterprise Information Security Policies (EISP), Issue-Specific Security Policies (ISSP), and System-Specific Security Policies (SysSP) (6 Marks)
- d) Using example differentiate between personal information and sensitive personal information (6 Marks)

## **QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Identify TWO (2) legal issues and two privacy concern that organizations must address in their security policies (4 Marks)
- b) State any SIX (6) main components of an ISO 27001-compliant security management system (6 Marks)
- c) Security analysts organize the needs of an organization in order to define a security policy. From the policy, they develop and implement mechanisms to enforce security.
  - i. Using a diagram, illustrate the security policy life cycle (7 Marks)
  - ii. Explain why feedback is important in policy development and implementation (3 Marks)

## **QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- a) Describe the following options that are used to evaluate protections for mitigating identified privacy risk (4 Marks)
  - i. Business impact analysis
  - ii. Vendor risk assessment
  - iii. Privacy impact assessment
  - iv. Privacy re-engineering
- b) Explain the concept of “Construct a secure design before coding” as the BEST way to minimize future security and privacy issues in new software development projects (2 Marks)
- c) Your organization is transitioning to cloud-based services. Describe the type of security policy that should be implemented before the transitioning exercise (6 Marks)

- d) Discuss the audit and compliance strategies used to enforce information security policies and ensure alignment with Kenya's government ICT standards and guidelines. (8 Marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Briefly describe how can evaluation tools and techniques such as COBIT and ITIL be used to ensure regulatory compliance within an organization? (6 Marks)
- b) Discuss PCI, HIPAA, and SOX global standards (6 Marks)
- c) Explain the benefits of ISO/IEC 27001 certification for an organization like Meru University (4 Marks)
- d) Discuss the NIST security framework and show how it contributes to an organization's security framework (4 Marks)