



# REFORMED CHURCH UNIVERSITY

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## FACULTY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION HONOURS DEGREE IN INFORMATION  
TECHNOLOGY

### FUNDAMENTALS OF COMPUTER NETWORKS

HICT 115

Part 1 Semester 1 Examination

Total Marks [100]

Date: October 2024

Time: 3 Hours

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#### INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper has **six (6)** questions
2. Answer any **four (4)** questions
3. Each question carries **25 marks**
4. Start each question on a new page

1. Discuss the need of network in today's world. **(9 marks)**
  
2. With aid of diagram discuss the following network models
  - a. OSI model. **(8 marks)**
  - b. TCP/IP model. **(8 marks)**
  
3. Briefly explain how the following network equipment are used in network
  - a. Hub
  - b. Switch
  - c. Router
  - d. NIC
  - e. Ethernet cable. **(25 marks)**
  
4. With the aid of diagram explain how VPN works. **(25 marks)**
  
5. Discuss any five network security threats and how to prevent them. **(25 marks)**
  
  
6. Draw a network layout of star topology and bus topology connecting five computers outline advantages and disadvantages. **(25 marks)**

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