

FACULTY OF COMMERCE

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE HONOURS DEGREE IN LOGISTICS AND SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

GLOBAL SOURCING

HLSM 422

PART 4 SEMESTER 1

TOTAL MARKS [100]

DATE: APRIL 2024

Time: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS

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

- 1. Analyze the major benefits and drawbacks of utilizing a global sourcing strategy in an organization of your choice. [25 marks]
- 2. Discuss how any company of your choice can best mitigate the risks associated with global sourcing. [25 marks]
- 3. Explain the impact of internet and e-commerce platforms, and how these have changed the way upcoming companies approach their sourcing strategies on global sourcing. [25 marks]

4. Discuss the ethical considerations surrounding global sourcing in the context of labor standards, environmental impact, and cultural sensitivity. [25 marks]

5. Examine how any company of your choice, may ensure responsible and ethical practices in its global supply chain. [25 marks]

6. Evaluate the potential impact of geopolitical tensions, trade wars, and economic instability on global sourcing practices for companies operating in developing countries. [25 marks]

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