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DMI-ST. EUGENE UNIVERSITY

ZAMBIA

DEGREE EXAMINATION – JUNE 2024

Semester: III

351HE28 OPERATING SYSTEM

Time: 3:00 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

Answer any FIVE Questions (5 x 20 = 100 Marks)

1. a) Define an Operating System and explain to objectives of the operating system. (5 Marks)
b) Describe a real time system and list FOUR examples of its application. (5 Marks)
c) Describe Five services the Operating system provides to the users. (10 Marks)
2. a) With the aid of diagram explain the states of a process. (10 Marks)
b) Briefly explain unbounded consumer producer problem and bounded consumer producer problem. (5 Marks)
c) The concurrent processes executing in the operating system may be either independent processes or cooperating processes. Explain the difference. (5 Marks)
3. a) Distinguish between deadlock and starvation. (5 Marks)
b) Write a short note on Methods for handling Deadlocks? (5 Marks)
c) Describe the concepts of semaphores. (10 Marks)
4. a) Explain the following allocation algorithms: (10 Marks)
i. First-fit
ii. Best-fit
iii. Worst-fit
b) Explicate the following: (10 Marks)
(i) FIFO Page Replacement
(ii)Optimal Page Replacement
5. a) Explain Five Characteristics of I/O Devices. (10 Marks)
b) Describe the domain structure. (10 Marks)
6. a) Describe Five categories systems programs. (10 Marks)

- b) Briefly explain Operating System debugging. **(10 Marks)**
7. a) With the aid of a net diagram explain paging and conversion of virtual addresses in paging.
(10 Marks)
- b) Briefly describe the following allocation methods outlining any advantage. **(10 Marks)**
- i. Contiguous Allocation
 - ii. Linked Allocation
 - iii. Indexed allocation.