

# University of Ruhuna - Faculty of Technology

Bachelor of Engineering Technology /Bachelor of Information & Communication  
Technology/ Bachelor of Biosystems Technology

Level 2 (Semester 1) Examination, March/April 2021

TCS 2122 – Soft Skills

Total Marks: 100

Time allowed: 02 hours

## **Instructions to candidates (Please Read Carefully):**

- 1) **All questions should be answered.**
- 2) **Answers should be in English, in the booklet provided.**

01. "To be an effective professional, an undergraduate is expected to develop soft skills in addition to the knowledge and experience acquired during university education".

a. Explain, briefly, three (03) strategies that you could use to effectively manage your time towards making your university life a success. (15 marks)

b. Discuss, briefly, what soft skills that a graduate from the Faculty of Technology should have developed to contribute effectively to the workplace. [five (05) different skills]

(20 marks)

(Total 35 marks)

02. "A leader must be an effective communicator to influence a group of people towards achieving a common goal."

Assume that you are the group leader of a research project that you and three other fellow students are assigned by the department. Project activities have taken place at a slow pace, and you are responsible for expediting the work and completing the project within a one-month period.

a. Write a brief speech that you may communicate to your team members to motivate them to expedite research activities? (may write as a paragraph with 10 -12 sentences or in point form) (22 marks)

b. What qualities (04 qualities) that you should possess as a leader in order to effectively communicate with your group members, to motivate them to speed up research activities?

(08 marks)

(Total 30 marks)

03. Select one (01) of the topics stated below and write a short article to the local newspaper. You are supposed to elaborate on the prevailing situation, benefits, and implications of the selected topic (About 300 words).

a. Prevention of drugs in the university

b. Online education for university students

c. Improving invention/innovation activities in the university

(Total 35 marks)