



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

THIRD YEAR, SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS (COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGY)

BACHELOR OF ARTS

APS 315: PSYCHOLOGY AND CRIME

DATE: 20/4/2023

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terminologies as used in criminal psychology. (10 marks)
 - i. Criminology
 - ii. Natural selection
 - iii. Atavism
 - iv. Neurotransmitters
 - v. Psychosis
- b) Discuss three important conflicts for our ancestors that have an implication for forensic psychology. (12 marks)
- c) Enumerate eight characteristics that you would look for in the assessment of psychopathy in criminal populations. (8 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the family environment influence on criminal behaviour. (10 marks)
- b) Evaluate the influence of food on criminal behavior. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain three different ways of defining antisocial behaviour according to Morley and Hall. (6 marks)
- b) Analyze the relationship between chronic exposure to stress and criminality. (8 marks)
- c) Describe the relationship between mental illness and criminal behavior. (6 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Appraise the Consensus View of explaining criminology. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss criminality from a psychoanalytic perspective. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Expound the main characteristics of three prominent disorders that have been shown to have a relationship with later adult antisocial behaviour. (12 marks)
- b) Appraise the atavistic features of the following offenders according to Cesare Lombroso (8 marks)
 - i) A thief
 - ii) A murderer
 - iii) A sex offender
 - iv) A woman offender