



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

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University Examinations for 2015/2016 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

APS 304: ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY

DATE: 5/8/2016

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 pm

INSTRUCTIONS.

Answer Question One and any other TWO questions.

1.
 - a) Define the following terms as used in psychology.
 - i. Abnormal behaviour (2 marks)
 - ii. Abnormal psychology (2 marks)
 - iii. Psychopathology (2 marks)
 - iv. Somatoform disorders (2 marks)
 - v. Personality disorders (2 marks)
 - b) Explain three sexual arousal disorders (6 marks)
 - c) Highlight five symptoms of substance dependence. (5 marks)
 - d) Discuss three major causes of eating disorders. (9 marks)
2.
 - a) Explain four major concerns of abnormal psychology. (10 marks)
 - b) Highlight four clinical examples of obsessions and compulsions (4 marks)

- c) Explain three possible causes of substance-use disorders. (6 marks)
3. Discuss four major criteria that is used for understanding abnormality. (20 marks)
4. a) Explain the differences between anxiety and fear. (4 marks)
b) Describe the major symptoms of the follow disorders. (16 marks)
- i. Phobic disorders
 - ii. Panic disorder
 - iii. Generalized Anxiety Disorder
 - iv. Obsessive Compulsive Disorder
5. Discuss the main features of the following personality disorders. (20 marks)
- i. Paranoid personality disorder
 - ii. Schizoid personality disorder
 - iii. Dependent personality disorder
 - iv. Histrionic personality disorder
 - v. Narcissistic personality disorder