



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR
SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES**

COURSE CODE: CRP 2112-1

**COURSE TITLE: PSYCHOLOGY OF CRIMINAL
BEHAVIOUR**

DATE: 31ST MARCH, 2022

TIME: 0830-1030

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions

PART A: Answer all questions (20 marks)

1. a) Under certain legal circumstances, courts may order suspects to be undertaken through a medical mental check-up first to establish if they may be fit for trial. Situate this argument under psychology of criminal behaviour based on relevant theories **(7Marks.)**
- b) Explain the following theoretical concepts and how they are applied to advance relevance of psychological criminal behaviour in the society
 - i) Criminal behaviour and learning theory **(2 Marks)**
 - ii) Psychodynamic theory **(2Marks)**
 - iii) Cognitive theory **(2Marks)**
- c) Explain circumstances under which the knowledge of psychology of criminal behaviour can be applied or used to prevent crimes before they occur in the society **(7 Marks)**

PART B: Answer any tow questions (30 marks)

2. Debate how the following are understood and applied in science of crime in the society
 - (i) Violent and offending **(7Marks)**
 - (ii) Brain damage and offending **(8Marks)**
3. Discuss the battle between science and people's perceptions on the following theories in the society today
 - (i) Genetics and crime in the society **(8Marks)**
 - (ii) Bioethics and crime **(7Marks)**
4. Debate scientific arguments that can be associated with public notions and perceptions that most young people born and grew up in poor urban informal settlements are likely to be criminals **(15 Marks)**
5. Discuss widely the contribution and benefits of the knowledge of psychology of criminal behaviours to various sectors of the society. **(15Mrks)**

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