MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

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2022/ 2023 ACADEMIC YEAR
FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

DEGREE IN CRIMINOLOGY AND PENOLOGY

COURSE CODE: CRP 4127
COURSE TITLE: GENDER AND CRIME

DATE: 2ND DECEMBER, 2022   TIME: 1100-1300

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions
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SECTION A: 30 MARKS (COMPULSORY SECTION)
QUESTION ONE
a) "Social, biological, economic and psychological explanations have been used to develop theories that explain why women commit crime, as well as why they commit less crime than men". Discuss **(20 Marks)**
b) Describe how the following factors tend not only to inhibit female crime and encourage male crime, but also to shape the patterns of female offending.
  i. Gender norms **(2 Marks)**
  ii. Moral development and affiliative concerns **(2 Marks)**
  iii. Social control **(2 Marks)**
  iv. Physical strength and aggression **(2 Marks)**
  v. Sexuality **(2 Marks)**

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS
QUESTION TWO
"Explanations about how and why people become criminals tend to vary from time to time and according to various scholars". Discuss **(20 Marks)**

QUESTION THREE
a) Discuss the various professions held by women in the criminal justice system in Kenya today. **(15 Marks)**
b) Explain influence of Feminism on studies of women, gender and crime globally citing relevant examples **(5 Marks)**

QUESTION FOUR
a)"Gender Based Violence refers to harmful acts directed at an individual based on their gender. It is rooted in gender inequality, the abuse of power and harmful norms". Discuss
(10 Marks)
b) Citing salient examples, describe the similarities in male and female offending rates and patterns in Kenya. **(10 Marks)**

QUESTION FIVE
a) Briefly describe the **FOUR** historical theories of female criminality while citing their distinct advantages and disadvantages **(10 Marks)**
b) "Women who use drugs are notoriously hard to reach and they maintain a relatively subordinate position to men in the drug-using subculture". Citing relevant examples, explain why women are more likely to take part in drugs and substance abuse.
(10 Marks)

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