

MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION MASTERS IN EDUCATION

COURSE CODE: EPS 8202

COURSE TITLE: SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY

DATE:13/12/2023 TIME: 14:30 - 16:30 PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)

- a) Examine the key phases in the development of romantic relationships, specifically focusing on:
 - i. Infatuation stage (4marks)
 - ii. Commitment stage (4 marks)
- b) Explain How a person's attitudes is likely to influence his or her thoughts, feelings, and behaviors? (4 marks)
- c) Describe **THREE** ways in which cultural biases can impact communication between individuals from different backgrounds. (8 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Describe **THREE** factors that can influence students to disregard school rules despite their awareness of potential repercussions. (10 marks)
- b) Examine **TWO** key reasons why individuals embark on a journey of self-discovery. (4 marks)
- c) What role does social learning play in the development of aggressive behaviors amongst students in education settings? (6 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Explain the concepts of stereotype and bias in social psychology, providing relevant examples to illustrate each concept (10 marks)
- b) Examine **THREE** cognitive factors that contribute to the formation of stereotypes. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Explain the concept of self-efficacy in psychology and discuss its potential impact on student's performance in an educational environment. (10 marks)
- b) Describe **THREE** key factors that can impact an individual's emotional well-being. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Giving relevant examples, explain the concept of social conformity in the field of psychology. (8 marks)
- b) Describe **SIX** reasons why individuals tend to comply with social norms and expectations within a group setting. (12 marks)

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