



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2023/ 2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

**SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, SOCIAL
SCIENCES AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CRIMINOLOGY AND
PENOLOGY**

COURSE CODE: CRP 4137-1

COURSE TITLE: GENDER AND CRIME

DATE: 13/12/ 2023

TIME: 1430-1630 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

This paper consists of TWO printed pages. Please turn over.

SECTION A: 20 MARKS (COMPULSORY SECTION)

QUESTION ONE

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 **(4 Marks)**
- ii. Moral development and affiliative concerns **(4 Marks)**
- iii. Social control **(4 Marks)**
- iv. Physical strength and aggression **(4 Marks)**
- v. Sexuality **(4 Marks)**

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION TWO

“The concept of masculinity refers to qualities that are typically associated with the male gender. These include characteristics such as dominance, control, aggression, and strength. Using key examples, describe how the concept of masculinity propagates male criminality in Kenya today.

(15 Marks)

QUESTION THREE

a) Discuss the various professions held by women in the criminal justice system in Kenya today. **(10 Marks)**

b) Explain influence of Feminism on studies of women, gender and crime in Kenya citing relevant examples **(5 Marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

a) “Gender-based violence (GBV) is the most pervasive yet least visible human rights violation in the world. It is rooted in gender inequality, the abuse of power and harmful norms”. Discuss **(10 Marks)**

b) Citing salient examples, briefly analyze the similarities in male and female offending rates and patterns in Kenya. **(5 Marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

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. **(15 Marks)**

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