



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

**SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER
SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES AND
CREATIVE INDUSTRIES
DIPLOMA IN CRIMINOLOGY AND PENOLOGY**

COURSE CODE: DCR 108

COURSE TITLE: JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

DATE: 17/5/24

TIME: 0230-0430HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

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QUESTION ONE

- 1a.) 1a.) Juvenile delinquency is a habitual committing of crimes by young people yet they cannot be prosecuted by the ordinary criminal justice system. Using relevant illustrations, justify the manifestation of this phenomenon in the contemporary society. **(10 marks)**
- b.) Discuss the various agents of socialization and how they may influence the behaviour of the young people **(10 marks)**
- c.) A society without law is synonymous with the state of nature and may become a breeding ground for juvenile delinquency. In view of this statement, delineate the relevance of law in curbing juvenile delinquency in the society **(10 marks)**

QUESTION TWO

- 2a.) Explicate the contribution of the classical and positivist schools of thought in the edification of juvenile delinquency **(12 marks)**
- b.) Assess the possible defenses that a lawyer can present before a court of law to avert conviction against juvenile delinquency **(8 marks)**

QUESTION THREE

- 3.) According to Sigmund Freud, childhood experiences is a crucial determinant of juvenile delinquency and crime in general. Using psychoanalytic theoretical model, explain the validity of psychological explanation of criminality. **(20 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- 4.) Apart from setting up borstal institutions, critically examine the extent to which the government of Kenya and other stakeholders have contributed to reduction of juvenile delinquency in the society **(20 marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

- 5.) Cesare Lombroso is a key figure in the discipline of Criminology. Explain his contribution to the conceptualization of crime and how biological composition disposes one to juvenile delinquency **(20 marks)**

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