



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

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

**SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES,
SOCIAL SCIENCES AND CREATIVE
INDUSTRIES**

**BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CRIMINOLOGY
AND PENOLOGY**

COURSE CODE: CRP1207-1

**COURSE TITLE: BIOLOGICAL EXPLANATIONS
OF CRIME**

DATE: 14/5/2024

TIME: 1430-1630 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

QUESTION ONE

- a) Biological theories of crime assume a person's biological characteristics predetermine criminal behavior's'. Discuss this statement in relation to crime and the influences on a person's decision. . **(10MKS)**
- b) Examine the major causes of crime involving the biological nature of a human being and how it can be prosecuted . **(10MKS)**

QUESTION TWO

Compare and contrast the biological and social explanation of criminality within the East Africa Context. **(15MKS)**

QUESTION THREE

- a) Examine the correct issues associated with Biological criminality. Consider the aspect of Accommodation in Residence bed and Breakfast(Air BnB) within the Kenyan Context. **(8MKS)**
- b) Biological explanations of crime suggests that crime is due to the nature of an individual, this is highly controversial as it suggest crime is innate and not a cause of the environment. Discuss. **(7MKS)**

QUESTION FOUR

One of the oldest biological explanation to crime is the atavistic form. Make clear notes on Cesare Lanbroso, 1876 proponents and criminal characteristics. **(15MKS)**

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Modern Biological theories of crime focus specifically on how different regions of brain are responsible for thoughts, emotions, behavior and how the dysfunction of these region can cause criminality. Discuss this base on the current (as at 2024) East African Context. . **(12MKS)**
- b) State and explain three importance of these unit to a criminologist **(3mks)**

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