



**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**  
**SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS**

**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF**  
**THE BACHELORS OF ARTS IN CRIMINOLOGY AND PEACE STUDIES**  
**SECOND SEMESTER 2024/2025**  
**(AUGUST, 2025)**

**CRSS 103: INTRODUCTION TO THEORIES OF CRIME**

**STREAM: Y1 S2**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY: FRIDAY, 9.00 – 11.00 A M**

**DATE: 15/08/2025**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Do not write anything on this question paper.***
- 2. Answer Question ONE And Any Other Two questions.**

**QUESTION ONE**

- a) The writings of Beccaria and his followers form the core of what today is referred to as classical criminology. As originally conceived in the 17<sup>th</sup> century, classical criminology theory that several basic elements state the elements. State the elements (7Marks )
- b) Positivism was a major break with the classical and neoclassical theories that had preceded it. State key assumptions of the positivists school of thought (8 Marks)
- c) Lombroso's theory was popular in the united states until about 1915, although variations of his theory are still being taught today, explain propositions that the theory consisted (10Marks)

d) Maslow maintained that human beings are motivated by a need hierarchy comprising five basic levels of needs explain the needs.

Explain the needs (5 Marks)

### **QUESTION TWO**

a) Discuss the psychological advantage of crime (10 Marks)

b) The first twentieth-century criminologist to forcefully argue that criminal behavior was learned was Edwin H. Sutherland. His theory of differential association came up with some propositions. What are propositions? )

(Principles of different associations) (10Marks)

### **QUESTION THREE**

Radical theories of crime causation are generally based on Marx's idea.

Radical criminologists focus their attention on the social management of capitalists' societies

b) Explain the destructive effects of capitalism (10 Marks)

b) Criminologists are most concerned with effects of labeling. Discuss the effects (10 Marks)

### **QUESTION FOUR**

a) Explain the term feminist criminology (5Marks)

b) Why are woman less likely than men to engage in crime (7Marks)

c) Often there are significant differences between male and female correctional institution in terms of quality of life, rehabilitation programs and job training programs. Discuss (8Marks)

### **QUESTION FIVE**

a) Criminality in any given country can be attributed to many factors. State the factors (20Marks)