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

CRSS 202: THE LAW OF EVIDENCE

STREAM: Y2 S2

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY: THURSDAY, 9.00 – 11.00 A M

DATE: 07/08/2025

INSTRUCTIONS:

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

QUESTION ONE

- a) Describe the major functions of the law of evidence . [10 Marks]
- b) With illustrations, explain the concept Hearsay evidence and list some of the general exceptions of the law of evidence [10 Marks]
- c) Discuss the admissibility of opinion evidence in court (10 Marks)

QUESTION TWO

Distinguish between the following and briefly explain how each of them operates in the law of evidence.

- a) Legal and evidential burdens of proof (10 Marks)
- b) Circumstantial evidence and Documentary evidence (10 Marks)

QUESTION THREE

Explain the importance of the following court processes (20 marks)

- i. examination of witness
- ii. cross-examination
- iii. re-examination.
- iv. hostile witness.

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Distinguish between admission and confessions and explain the importance of formal and informal admissions in a court process.

[10Marks]

QUESTION FIVE

Outline the requirement for admissibility in both admissions and confessions.

[10 Marks]