



PAN AFRICA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

END OF TERM EXAMINATION (JANUARY – MARCH 2022)

CAMPUS: ONLINE

DEPARTMENT: COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY

COURSE CODE: COU 2133

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO COUNSELING ETHICS

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INSTRUCTIONS

- **Read all questions carefully before attempting.**
- **Section A is Compulsory**
- **Answer any TWO questions in Section B**

SECTION A: COMPULSORY

(20 Marks)

Question 1

- a) Explain two situations where a therapist may breach confidentiality. (4 marks)
- b) Describe two steps that a therapist should take when they believe that there may have been an ethical violation by another therapist. (4 marks)
- c) A therapist is attending to a family of a couple and two minor children in therapy. The parents decide at some point in treatment to get a divorce. Records are requested for a court hearing regarding custody of the children, and the therapist is asked to testify on behalf of the wife and to separately evaluate the children regarding custody. Analyze three ethical considerations that the therapist must consider in this case. (6 marks)
- d) Using any three examples, discuss the importance of adhering to professional ethics in therapy. (6 marks)

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION (20 MARKS)

Question 2

- a) Discuss two steps that a therapist should take before delegating professional work to others. (4 marks)
- b) Describe three instances which may amount to exploitation of a client by a therapist. (6 marks)

Question 3

- a) Explain two ethical responsibilities that a therapist should take into account in the offer of services to clients when the therapist is undergoing personal problems and conflicts. (4 marks)
- b) Discuss three steps that a therapist should take when providing services to persons legally incapable of giving informed consent (6 marks)

Question 4

- a) Explain two critical considerations that a therapist should have in mind in relation to the acceptance or rejection of a gift from a client (4 marks)
- b) Analyze three core ethical considerations for therapists in regard to advertising about their services. (6 marks)

Question 5

- a) Describe two arrangements that a therapist may put in place to ensure that clients' psychological services are not interrupted even in his / her absence. (4 marks)

- b) Using relevant examples, explain any three areas in which a client's values may clash with the values of a Counselor (6 marks)