



PAN AFRICA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY
END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY
JANUARY-APRIL 2020

CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

DEPARTMENT: PSYCHOLOGY

COURSE CODE: COU2313

COURSE TITLE: Abnormal Psychology

EXAM DATE: THURSDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2020

TIME: 8:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read all questions carefully before attempting.
- Write your **student number** on the answer booklet provided.
- Answer **ALL** questions in Section A and **ANY** three in Section B

Section A: Compulsory; attempt ALL questions (30 Marks)

Question 1

A)

- i) Define abnormal behavior and give real life examples to support your answer. **(5 Marks)**
- ii) Identify two learning disabilities experienced by children in their early childhood. **(5 marks)**
- iii) Discuss the characteristics and main diagnostic criteria of the three main eating disorders. **(5 Marks)**
- iv) Describe the basic characteristics of paraphilic disorders and use examples to support your answers **(5 Marks)**

Section B: Attempt TWO questions from this section (20 Marks)

Question 1

- a) Elaborate four causes of Major depressive disorder in our society today. **(5 Marks)**
- b) Mention five symptoms of Major depression according to the DSM V **(5 marks)**

Questions 2

Discuss the advantages a Christian counsellor has over a secular one despite both having the same professional training **(10 Marks)**

Question 3

- a) It is normal for any person to be anxious. However, when anxiety affects one's functioning for over two weeks then one may be diagnosed with a specific anxiety disorder. Explain four types of anxiety disorders **(4 marks)**
- b) Mention three treatments of anxiety disorders. **(6 Marks)**

Question 4

- a) Distinguish between stimulants and depressants. **(4 marks)**
- b) Alcohol is a major problem in our country today; explain five reasons why people take alcohol and the possible effects of alcohol use. **(6 marks)**