



PAC INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIAL STUDIES MAY – AUGUST 2025 ASSESSMENT

FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT

Qualification Code : 042106T4CRJ
Qualification : CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Code : SEC/OS/CJ/CC/01/6/A
Unit of Competency : CRIMINAL LAW

TIME: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE:

- 1. Read all the instructions carefully before attempting the questions.*
- 2. This paper consists of two sections, A & B.*
- 3. You are allowed 3 Hours to Answer the questions.*
- 4. Marks for each question are indicated in brackets.*
- 5. Write your responses in the Separate Answer booklet provided.*
- 6. Do not write anything on this question paper.*

SECTION A: (40 MARKS)

Answer **ALL** questions in this section.

- 1) Name **FOUR** crimes listed as traffic offences in Kenya (4mks)
- 2) State **FOUR** elements of crime in criminal law. (4 mks)
- 3) Highlight **FOUR** forms of *Mens rea*. (4mks)
- 4) State **FOUR** elements of crime. (4mks)
- 5) State **FOUR** ways or situations in which criminal liability does not apply. (4mks)
- 6) Highlight **FOUR** penalties for non-compliance by road users in commission of traffic offences. (4mks)
- 7) State **FOUR** types of drugs that are prohibited in Kenya. (4 mks)
- 8) Identify **FOUR** defences used within the criminal justice system (4 mks)
- 9) State **FOUR** functions of Criminal Law. (4 mks)
- 10) Highlight **FOUR** rights of an individual during hearing (4 mks)

SECTION B: (60 MARKS)

*Answer any **THREE** questions in this section.*

11. A criminal procedure process refers to the series of steps taken by law enforcement and the court system, ensuring due process rights are followed throughout the process.
 - a) Discuss **FIVE** professionals that are involved in the Criminal Procedure process. (10 mks)
 - b) Discuss the flow of the Criminal procedure process in Kenya. (10mks)

12. The Kenyan court system is structured with Superior and Subordinate courts. They play several key functions like interpreting the Constitution and laws, resolving disputes, upholding the rule of law, protecting fundamental rights, and ensuring access to justice.
 - a) Discuss the structure of the Kenyan courts. (10 mks)
 - b) Tribunals are found within the judiciary, are co-ordinated by the registrar tribunals and they help in solving cases in an efficient way as compared to the traditional courts. Examine **FIVE** types of tribunals established by the judicial service commission. (10mks)

13. The Kenyan criminal justice operates under fundamental justice principles designed to ensure fairness, equality, accountability, and integrity in legal proceedings
 - a) Examine **FIVE** justice principles. (10mks)
 - b) Punishment is the legal penalty imposed on someone found guilty of a crime. There are several types of punishment, depending on the severity of the offense and the laws of the country. Discuss **FIVE** types of punishment. (10mks)

14. a) Crimes are generally categorized based on their severity, nature, or the type of harm they cause. Evaluate FIVE categories of crime(10mks)
 - b) A traffic offence is any violation of the traffic laws and regulations governing road use in Kenya. These laws are designed to ensure road safety, protect lives and property, and promote orderly movement of vehicles and pedestrians. Discuss five traffic offences in Kenya. (10mks)