



PAN AFRICA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

**END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF
MASTER OF ARTS IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY**

SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER 2018 SEMESTER

CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

DEPARTMENT: PSYCHOLOGY

COURSE CODE: MFT 502

COURSE TITLE: FAMILY LIFE CYCLE

EXAM DATE: MONDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2018

DURATION: 3 HOURS

TIME: 5:30PM-8.30PM

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- Write your **STUDENT NUMBER** in the Answer Booklet given
- **Answer question 1 and any other TWO questions**
- *Write clearly and legibly.*
- *ALL PAC University's examination rules and regulations apply*

QUESTION 1

- a. The importance of understanding the Family Life Cycle for a Marriage and Family Therapist cannot be over emphasized. Critically analyze this statement in any five aspects. (10 marks)
- b. Discuss any five therapeutic concerns for African parents with emerging adults in our current society. (10 marks)

QUESTION 2

- a. Families transit successfully from one stage to another within the Family Life Cycle. Explain any three reasons which may circumvent a normal Family Life Cycle transition at any stage. (6 marks)
- b. Describe any two issues which make homosexuals a unique population within the family life cycle. (4 marks)

QUESTION 3

- a. It took a village to raise a child. Explain three perspectives of this statement which were applicable in the African traditional system of nurturing adolescents. (6 marks)
- b. Illustrate two crucial components you would consider in developing a ritual at for the elderly. (4 marks)

QUESTION 4

- a. Outline the six stages of the Family Life Cycle. (6 marks)
- b. Tyran a re-known doctor of medicine insists that his daughter must undertake medicine for her degree at a university of his choice. The daughter is distraught and has threatened to commit suicide as that is not her choice. Tyran consults you for help. Indicate any two developmental tasks you would utilize in the Family Life Cycle to assist the doctor. (4 marks)

QUESTION 5

Wanza and Mahriz present themselves in your therapy room and explain to you that since they got their first child - a bouncing baby girl about one month ago, life has never been the same.

- a. State the Family Life Cycle stage - number and description - for this family. (4 marks).
- b. Using the developmental tasks within the Family Life Cycle stage for this family, evaluate three critical interventions you would utilize in your therapy. (6 marks)