



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS

ASC 325: CRIMINOLOGY

DATE: 17/12/2021

TIME: 11:00 – 1:00 PM

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## INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions.

### QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

Using Kenya as an example, explain why crime is:

- a) More in urban areas than in rural areas (10 marks)
- b) Mainly committed by youth than other age groups (10 marks)
- c) Describe the objectives/aims of the criminal law (10 marks)

### QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Citing appropriate examples, explain **any four** general defenses in the criminal law.

### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Explain **any five** factors that make policing and investigation of white collar crimes difficult.

### QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

With examples distinguish between:

- a) Conditional discharge and suspended prison sentence (7 marks)
- b) Community service and probation service (7 marks)
- c) What are the benefits of each of these in a) and b) above to the offender? (6 marks)

### QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe any two victimless crimes and cite where they mainly occur (10 marks)
- b) For each of the above crimes, explain why it is difficult to prosecute them (10 marks)