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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

PHIL 104: PHILOSOPHY AND SOCIETY

STREAMS: BSC NURSING UPGRADE Y2S1/ PT

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 30/03/2021

11.30 A.M – 1.30 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer questions one and any other two questions from the ones given here

1. (a) Define what philosophy is, what it studies and why it rejects myths, dogmas and received opinions. [10 marks]
(b) Name three branches of philosophy and briefly explain what each branch studies. [10 marks]
(c) Give five reasons why critical thinking skills obtained from studying philosophy are important in the nursing field. [10 marks]
 2. Explain what ethics is as a branch of philosophy and what is its importance in the medical field. [20 marks]
 3. What do we mean by the principle of lesser evil? Give an example where the principle of lesser evil is applicable in nursing practice. [20 marks]
 4. Give an example relevant to nursing practice that illustrates why it is important to study philosophy. [20 marks]
 5. Give an example of an end-of-life medical issue and show how you can apply knowledge obtained from studying ethics to make the right decision. [20 marks]
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