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**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
ARTS IN CRIMINOLOGY AND SECURITY STUDIES**

CRSS 110: INTRODUCTION TO CRIMINAL LAW

STREAMS: B.A

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 4/12/2019

8.30 A.M – 10.30 A.M

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer question one and any other two questions

QUESTION ONE

- (a) Explain the main elements of crime? [10 marks]
- (b) Explain the purpose that punishment serves in criminal law. [10 marks]
- (c) John engages with a quarrel with Felix which results into a fight. John hits Felix with a baseball bat on the head and Felix falls down unconscious. He is rushed to hospital and regains consciousness after a while. He continues having complications until he passes away 15 months (1 year 3 months) after incident. Is John guilty of murder? Explain. [10 marks]

QUESTION TWO

- (a) If Alex finds his wife having sexual intercourse with his best friend Mark and in the heat of anger strikes and kills Mark. Alex charged with murder. Should the charge of murder stand? [5 marks]
- (b) Explain the difference between murder and manslaughter. [5 marks]
- (c) Illustrate with examples the sources of criminal law. [10 marks]

QUESTION THREE

(a) Patrick invites Lynn and her friend Jacky to a party at his house. He ensures that the two girls have their glasses of wine constantly refilled. When the rest of the crowd goes he remains with LYNN- who is too drunk to know what is going on around her, and Jacky who seems a bit young. Jacky urges him to sleep with her which he does. He goes ahead and sleeps with Lynn too even though she has passed out. Lynn later sues Patrick.

Jacky's parents also follow suit and sue Patrick.

(a) Explain in detail your understanding of the offences Patrick faces in respect to Lynn and Jacky. [10 marks]

(b) Discuss at least 5 defenses an accused may use to exempt himself from criminal responsibility. [10 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

(a) Write brief notes that demonstrate your understanding of the following. [12 marks]

- (i) Death sentence
- (ii) Suicide pacts
- (iii) Robbery with violence
- (iv) Infanticide

(b) Briefly discuss the following offences that comprise corruption under the anti-corruption and economic crimes act. [8 marks]

- (i) Bribing agents
 - (ii) Deceiving principal
 - (iii) Conflict of interest
 - (iv) Abuse of office
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