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

NURS 393: BIOSTATISTICS

STREAMS: BSC (NURS) Y3S2

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: MONDAY 02/12/2019

11.30 A.M. – 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer all questions in section I and TWO questions in section II
- Use of calculators and statistical tables is allowed
- Do not write anything on the question paper

SECTION I: COMPULSORY (30 MARKS) – ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE

Explain the following terms as used in experimental design:

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| (a) Replication | [2 marks] |
| (b) Randomization | [2 marks] |
| (c) Treatment | [2 marks] |
| (d) Factor | [2 marks] |
| (e) Control | [2 marks] |

QUESTION TWO

Outline the stages in sampling process [3 marks]

QUESTION THREE

An Epidemiologist determine the frequency of cancer among members of 600 families of size five. If the probability of cancer is 0.12 and this is a random event, predict the number of families,

- (a) With exactly one case of cancer [3 marks]
- (b) With one or more cases of cancer [3 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

The population of patients is divided into three strata such that $N_1 = 2650$, $N_2 = 24800$ and $N_3 = 2360$. Show how a sample size of $n = 384$ should be allocated to the three strata if proportionate sampling is adopted. [3 marks]

QUESTION FIVE

- (a) In an outbreak of tuberculosis among prison inmates in Kamiti maximum prison in 2012, 28 of 157 inmates residing on the East wing of the dormitory developed tuberculosis, compared with 4 of 137 inmates residing on the West wing.
Calculate the risk ratio. [4 marks]
- (b) Using the following data, calculate the vaccine effectiveness from the varicella [4 marks]

	Varicella	Non-case
Vaccinated	18	134
Unvaccinated	3	4

SECTION II (40 MARKS) – ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION SIX (20 MARKS)

- (a) An experiment was carried out to determine the weight of new born babies in a certain hospital. A sample of 50 new born babies was selected and the sample mean weight was obtained as 3500 grams. The population variance is known to be 225 grams. Construct a 95% confidence interval for the population mean. [4 marks]

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- (b) Using the following data set, calculate the mean, mode, median, standard deviation, coefficient of variation and Pearson measure of skewness of successive sale of medication by a given firm. [16 marks]

Number of sales	0-5	6-11	12-17	18-23	24-29	30-35
Number of salesmen	2	18	38	56	44	28

QUESTION SEVEN (20 MARKS)

- (a) The following data set show the rating of two health care services (HCS) on a scale of 1-9 by 9 patients

Patients	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
HCS 1	4	8	5	2	6	5	4	5	7
HCS 2	6	4	2	6	9	3	7	8	5

Using an appropriate test, determine if the HCS have equal rating. Take .

[8 marks]

- (b) Using the following data, fit a regression model and obtain a correlation coefficient

[12

marks]

x	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
y	9	16	19	27	38	43	58

QUESTION EIGHT (20 MARKS)

Four doctors each test five treatments for a certain disease and observe the number of days each patient takes to recover. The results (recovery time in days) are given below:

Treatment/doctor	Doctor 1	Doctor 2	Doctor 3	Doctor 4
Treatment 1	10	11	9	8
Treatment 2	14	15	12	13
Treatment 3	23	24	20	17
Treatment 4	18	17	16	17
Treatment 5	20	21	19	20

Perform analysis of variance and test if the treatments are significantly different at 5% significance level.

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