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FIRST SEMESTER 2025/2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

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

**CRSS 111: INTRODUCTION TO CRIMINOLOGY AND
THEORIES OF CRIME**

STREAM: B.A, CRSS

TIME: 2 HRS

DAY: THURSDAY [8.30 A.M-10.30 A.M] DATE: 29/01/2026

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF TWO (2) PAGES

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Instructions: Answer all questions in **SECTION A** and any **TWO** in **SECTION B**

SECTION A (30 MARKS)

QUESTION ONE

- (a) Crime does not happen in isolation. It happens in real places, shaped by real conditions.
Explain the above statement in relation to social disorganization theory **(10 Marks)**
- (b) Elaborate on the significance of studying theory in criminology **(10 Marks)**
- (c) Discuss the relevance of social disorganization theory in crime prevention and control **(10 Marks)**

SECTION B (40 MARKS)

QUESTION TWO

- (a) Elaborate on the five conceptions of crime **(10 Marks)**
- (b) Criminologists play a vital role in understanding and addressing the problem of crime, elaborate on four roles of criminologists **(10 Marks)**

QUESTION THREE

- (a) According Rational Choice theory individuals have preferences and choose according their preferences, elaborate on the conditions that control individual choices in as far as crime is concerned **(10 Marks)**
- (b) Discuss the four main components of Rational Choice theory **(10 Marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- (a) Define organized crime according to United Nation Convention Against Organized Crime, and explain the main principles of organized crime **(10 Marks)**
- (b) With relevant examples discuss the characteristics of organized crimes **(10 Marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

- (a) Explain the contribution of super male syndrome in criminal behavior **(10 Marks)**
- (b) Discuss the link between drug addiction and crime **(10 Marks)**