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## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER 2025/2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

### THIRD YEAR EXAMINATIONS FOR BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PSYCHOLOGY

#### PSYC 312: ETHICAL AND LEGAL ISSUES

***STREAM:***

***TIME: 2 HRS***

***DAY: TUESDAY (11.30AM-1.30PM)***

***DATE: 27/01/2026***

**THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF THREE (3 PAGES)**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:****Answer Question ONE (compulsory) and any other Two Questions.****QUESTION ONE**

- a) Justify the concept of licensure in professional practice. (4 marks)
- b) Differentiate between revocation of a license and suspension of a license for a profession counsellor (8 marks)
- c) Evaluate the ethical implications of the following
- i. Beneficence, (2 marks)
  - ii. Least harm, (2 marks)
  - iii. Respect for autonomy, (2 marks)
  - iv. Justice (2 marks)
- d) Describe ethical issues according to Kitchen (1984) and relate them to Kenyan local setting (10 marks)

**SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS****QUESTION TWO (20 Marks)**

- a) Evaluate the contribution of decision making as a cornerstone of professionalism for a counsellor (10 marks)
- b) Critique any three ethical theories. (10 marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 Marks)**

- a) Assess any five professional issues in counselling. (10 marks)
- b) Explain reasons and situations where Confidentiality may be Broken. (10 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 Marks)**

- a) Analyse a domestic violence case, involving ethical dilemma and explain discuss how it can be handled. (10 marks)
- b) Evaluate the reasonableness of the ethical standards that you would maintain in a school setting. (10 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 Marks)**

- a) Demonstrate the importance of Keeping relationship professional during counselling. **(10 marks)**
- b) Discuss the reasons for existence of Ethical standard in counselling. **(10 marks)**