



MASENO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2013/2014

**THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CRIMINOLOGY WITH
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(CITY CAMPUS - REGULAR)**

ACS 309: CRIME AND ETHICS

Date: 23rd July 2014

Time: 9.00 - 11.00 a.m.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer ANY THREE questions.



1. a) Discuss normative and applied ethics showing their relevance in the Criminal Justice System. (17.3 marks)

b) Discuss any three factors that influence the formation of one's personal set of ethics and values. (6 marks)
2. a) Using capital punishment as an example, discuss ethical and cultural relativism (12 marks)

b) Examine the principle of ethical pluralism in resolving conflicts between differing ethical standards. Use examples (11.3 marks)
3. 'A newly recruited correctional officer, Tom overhears three other correctional officers discussing arrangements to assault an inmate, Raymond, who has previously attacked another correctional officer, a close friend of the three officers.' Using this scenario, examine the ethical dilemma that Tom faces and the possible solutions. (23.3 marks)
4. Using examples from Kenya, examine the arguments that media representations of crime are hyper-publicized and over-politicized. (23.3 marks)
5. Consider the following scenario and answer the questions that follow:
You are engaged in observation of police officers when you see officers physically abusing a suspect. You take notes of the incident.
 - a) If you were called to testify in court, explain what you would do. (6 marks)
 - b) If the victim sued the police and the victim's legal team attempted to *subpoena* your notes, explain your response. (8 marks)
 - c) Examine the ethical regulations that would govern your conduct in this situation. (9.3 marks)
6. Considering that women prisoners are one of the vulnerable groups that have specific needs and requirements, discuss the ethical issues that arise in the treatment of women prisoners in Kenya. Use the Bangkok Rules for Women in Prison as a reference point. (23.3 marks)