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#### University Examinations 2013/2014

### THIRD YEAR, SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN FOOD SCIENCE AND NUTRITION

#### AFN 2304: NUTRITION IN THE LEFE CYCLE

DATE: DECEMBER 2013

**TIME: 2 HOURS** 

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Answer questions **one** and any other **two** questions.

### **QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

a)	Expl	ain the concept of exclusive breastfeeding.	(2 Marks)	
b) List five advantages of breastfeeding.			(5 Marks)	
c)	Expl	ain why women of child bearing age need folate in their diets	(4 Marks)	
d) Briefly discuss the following and their dietary implications during pregnancy			regnancy	
			(9 Marks)	
	i.	Pica		
	ii.	Gestational diabetes		
	iii.	Nausea and vomiting		
e)	Disc	uss the relationship between the following in children.		
	i.	Hunger and behaviour	(3Marks)	
	ii.	Iron deficiency and behaviour	(4 Marks)	
i	ii.	Childhood obesity and television watching	(3 Marks)	
QUES	ΓΙΟΙ	N TWO (20 MARKS)		
a)	Why	does the risk of dehydration increase as people age?	(5 Marks)	
b)	Wha	t characteristics contribute to malnutrition in older people?	(5 Marks)	
c) Explain why cow milk is not recommended to an infant in the first year of life				
			(5 Marks)	

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d)	Briefly discuss the iron requirement for an adolescent	(5 Marks	;)

## **QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

a)	Write short notes on the following		(15 Marks
	i.	Anorexia nervosa	
	ii.	Bulimia nervosa	
	iii.	Obesity	
b)	List five factors that influence pregnancy outcome.		(5 Marks)

## **QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

a)	Discu	ss how nutrition influence fertility and conception.	(10 Marks)
b)	Discu	ss the relationship between the following	(10 Marks)
	i.	Nutrition and cataracts	

ii. Nutrition and arthritis