



ZIMBABWE EZEKIEL GUTI UNIVERSITY

FACULTY OF LAW

EXAMINATION PAPER

COURSE CODE : LLB 014
COURSE TITLE : Criminology and Penology
DURATION : 3 Hours
LEVEL : 5.1
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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

1. Answer **four** questions. Answer two questions in section A and two questions in Section B.
2. Read carefully.
3. Write legibly.
4. Begin each answer to a full question on a fresh page.
5. **Names, characters, places** and **incidents** used in this paper are products of the author's imagination or are purely fictitious. Any resemblance to actual events or locales or persons, living or dead, is entirely coincidental.

SECTION A

QUESTION 1

Give a critique of the work of any two Pioneer Criminologists and state whether their work has any relevance to contemporary criminological thinking.

[25 Marks]

QUESTION 2

Analyse and discuss the relevance of the fundamental theories of crime causation in relation to the state of affairs obtaining in the Second Republic of Zimbabwe.

Discuss whether these theories of any relevance or validity in Zimbabwe?

[25 Marks]

QUESTION 3

Define the nature, causes and consequences of corruption in Zimbabwe.

Discuss the current strategies meant to combat corruption in Zimbabwe and highlight their effectiveness.

[25 Marks]

QUESTION 4

Using detailed examples, define white collar crime in Zimbabwe. How it can it be effectively combated?

[25 Marks]

SECTION B:

QUESTION 5

Dr Prudence Mhishi, one of Zimbabwe's most renowned Social scientists published a thesis encouraging President Mnangagwa to change his government's crime control approach. In her accolade winning scientific paper, she pushes governments not only to be "tough on crime" but to be "tough on the causes of crime" as well.

Using Zimbabwe as a case study, what are the major causes of crime and what do you think are the solutions to the crime problem?

[25 Marks]

QUESTION 6

In **S v Moyo (1994 HB 124)** the High Court stated as follows:

“it is most important that magistrates should equip themselves with sufficient information in any particular case to enable them to assess sentence humanely, meaningfully and to reach a decision based on fairness and proportion...”

Required

In arriving at an appropriate sentence for a convicted offender, discuss the major factors and considerations which a judicial officer should take into account and why?

[25 Marks]

QUESTION 7

Evaluate the arguments in favour of and against the death penalty.

[25 Marks]

QUESTION 8

You have recently graduated from the esteemed Faculty of Law at the Zimbabwe Ezekiel Guti University. Your law firm has been engaged by the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) on a consultancy basis. Your senior partner, Joseph James has tasked you to attend to the required legal work since you passed criminology with a distinction.

Prof. Conrad Clinton Nyathi, the Operations Director for the ICJ has written to you asking for a legal opinion in the field of criminology and penology. Apart from alternatives to imprisonment, discuss areas you believe require urgent reforms.

[25 Marks]

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