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DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINOLOGY & SECURITY STUDIES (CSS)

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

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Answer Question 1 and three other questions

COURSE CODE: CSS 411

COURSE TITLE: Contemporary Issues in Criminology and Security Studies

CREDIT UNIT: 3

TME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: In all, answer **four out of the Six** questions. However, question **ONE** (1) is **COMPULSORY** and carries 25 marks; while each of the other questions carries 15 marks

1. Attempt a conceptualization of criminology
 - b. What is the goal of criminology as a specialized field?
2. List and explain the 7 scopes of criminology
 - b. What does a criminologist do?
3. Write short notes on the following research methods
 - Survey research
 - Longitudinal research
 - Aggregate data research
 - Observational/case study methods
 - Experimental methods
4. Define crime
 - b. Explain the following
 - Legal conception of crime
 - Social conception of crime
5. Who is a criminal?
 - b. What is the association between mensrea and actus reus?
6. Discuss the classification of crimes by criminologists