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Faculty of Health Sciences

Department of Nursing Sciences

April 2019 Examination

Programme: Bachelor of Nursing Science

Course Code: NSC311

Course Title: Nature of Nursing

Course Credit Units: 3 Units

Total Marks: 70 Marks

Time Allowed: 2 ½ Hours

Instruction: Answer All the Questions

Question 1

Nurses' values are based on philosophy, which enables them to assess the value in the meaning of their actions. The decision-making specific to nursing practice has evolved from philosophical schools of thought to meet the needs of the profession.

- a. Describe the four (4) major philosophical schools of thought that influenced nursing profession. **(15 marks)**
- b. Discuss how each of the above philosophical schools of thought influence nursing as a profession. **(15 marks)**

Question 2

Professionalism has greatly influenced the direction and traditional focus of nursing to improve the quality of nursing service to the society. Nurses play expanded roles in a changing society to attain and maintain criteria of professionalization in the discipline.

- a. Identify and describe five (5) polyvalent roles of a nurse in a changing society. **(10 marks)**
- b. Discuss the activities that support professionalism in nursing. **(10 marks)**

Question 3

Mrs Adeeko, a 38-year-old secondary school teacher was rushed into the casualty unit of your hospital with history of road traffic accident. She sustained fracture to the rib, had breathing difficulty, was bleeding profusely from injury on the arm and was unable to eat, sleep and rest.

- a. Enumerate five (5) advantages of using nursing process to manage this patient **(5 marks)**
- b. List and discuss the basic steps involved in planning nursing care **(15 marks)**