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FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES  
2022\_2 EXAMINATION QUESTIONS

COURSE CODE: CSS 755.....

COURSE TITLE **PATTERDS AND TRENDS OF CRIME IN NIGERIA**

CREDIT UNIT : 3

TME ALLOWED : 3 HOURS

**INSTRUCTION :** In all, answer **four out of the five** questions. However, question **ONE (1)** is **COMPULSORY** and carries 25 marks.

1.(a) “The basis of the criminal justice system is vested in the legal definition of crime” (Alemika, 2019). Highlight and discuss five (5) Elements of crime as identified by the criminal justice system **(15 Marks)**.

(b) The legal definition of crime has some short comings; list and explain two of such. **(10 marks)**

2.(a) Crime has been categorized and distinguished into various types, mention and explain each with examples. (8 marks)

(b) According to Cesare Beccaria, the only justified rationale for laws and punishment is based on certain principles. Mention and explain those principles **(7 marks)**

3.(a) Define crime statistics and identify with concrete examples the various sources of acquiring official and unofficial crime). **(15 marks)**

4.(a)What are the factors that determine public reporting of crime to the police? (5 marks)

(b) Discuss the two factors that the size or sample of the known crime reported to the Police.. **(10 marks)**

5.(a) Identify the assumption of the conflict theory and examine the policy implication of the theory to the study of criminology. **(15 marks)**.