



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA**  
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**Faculty of Health Sciences**  
**Department of Nursing Sciences**  
**2024 1 EXAMINATION**

**Programme: Bachelor of Nursing Science**  
**Course Code: NSC310**  
**Course Title: Nursing Ethics and Jurisprudence**  
**Course Credit Units: 3 Units**  
**Time Allowed: 2 Hours**  
**Total Score: 70 Marks**  
**Instruction: Answer All the Questions**

**Question 1**

1. Law can be defined as those rules made by humans which regulate social conduct in a formally prescribed and legally binding manner.
  - a. Enumerate any 2 (two) functions of Law in Nursing (2 marks)
  - b. List and briefly explain any 5 (five) sources of Law (7.5 marks)
  - c. Discuss the first 4 (four) steps of civil judicial process (8 marks)

**Question 2**

2. Philosophical theories, frameworks and ethical principles underpin health care delivery thereby making health care professions unique by adopting codes of professional behaviors.
  - a. Define the term "ethical" (1.5marks)
  - b. Outline and briefly explain the four (4) principles widely recognized as the basis of ethical foundations of health care law (12 marks)
  - c. Briefly discuss the relationship between Law and Morality (4 marks)

**Question 3**

3. In carrying out nursing responsibilities, nurses are faced with many situations that expose them to legal liability. It is important, therefore, that they are protected.
  - a. Outline any four (4) guidelines for nurses who choose to render care at emergency sites (4 marks)
  - b. State any nine (9) precautions recommended to help protect a nurse against actions that may lead to litigation while providing nursing care. (13.5 marks)