



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA**  
**FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**  
**DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINOLOGY AND SECURITY STUDIES**  
**2025\_2 EXAMINATIONS**

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**COURSE CODE: CSS 411**

**COURSE TITLE: Contemporary Issues in Criminology and Security Studies**

**CREDIT UNIT: 3**

**TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTION: Answer four questions in all. Each question carries 17.5 marks.**

1.
  - i. What is punishment? 5mks
  - ii. Give brief and detailed explanations on vengeance, deterrence, and rehabilitation as philosophies of punishment. 12.5mks
2.
  - i. Briefly narrate what you understand by the criminal justice system. 5mks
  - ii. "...the best way to get the fact is to have a contest between the two sides". Explain this statement as it pertains to the adversary and inquisitorial system. 12.5mks
3.
  - i. Give a brief but detailed history of policing in Nigeria. 5.5mks
  - ii. What are the responsibilities of the police? 12mks
4.
  - i. List out processes adopted by the court system in Nigeria. 3mks
  - ii. Discuss succinctly the processes of trial and appellate courts. 14,5mks
5. Jails are different from prisons. Explain. 17.5mks