



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
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DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINOLOGY & SECURITY STUDIES (CSS)
2025_2 EXAMINATIONS

COURSE CODE: CSS 452

COURSE TITLE: VICTIMS OF CRIME AND HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

CREDIT UNIT: 3

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: Answer **four** questions. All questions carry equal marks

1. (a) Distinguish between Crimes and Civil Wrongs (7.5 marks)

(b) Very often, crimes are committed by more than one person. With relevant examples, differentiate between Principals and Abettors (10 marks)
2. (a) What do you understand by criminal investigation (7.5 marks)

(b) Who is a victim of crime, and what should the society do in order to help them overcome their trauma. (10 marks)
3. (a) Distinguish between organized crimes and common-street crimes? (10 marks)

(b) Right to life and dignity of the human person are inalienable rights enshrined in the Nigerian Constitution. Discuss? (7.5 marks)
4. (a) Mention and Discuss the three schools of thoughts in criminal law. (10 marks)

(b) Differentiate between Actus Reus and Mens Rea as major elements of crime? (7.5 marks)
5. (a) With good examples, elaborately explain what you understand by the term crime. (6.5 marks)

(b) The Nigerian state has always been involved in the prosecution of crime. Discuss if the state has provided adequate social justice to the victims of crimes (11 marks)