



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINOLOGY AND SECURITY STUDIES
2025_1 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE - CSS812
COURSE TITLE - Cybercrimes
CREDIT UNITS - 3
TIME ALLOWED - 3 Hours

INSTRUCTION: Answer any **FOUR** questions.

1. a) Analyse the dark web and crypto market operations as emerging patterns of cybercrime. **(10 Marks)**
b) Discuss the structure, operation, and the types of illegal activities commonly associated with crypto market. **(7.5 Marks)**
2. a) Provide an overview of routine activity theory. **(7.5 Marks)**
b) Apply this theory to explain the occurrence of cybercrimes. **(10 Marks)**
3. a) Critically assess the effectiveness of cybercrime legislations in Nigeria and selected African countries. **(7.5 Marks)**
b) Discuss the strengths and weaknesses of these legislations in combating cybercrime. **(10 Marks)**
4. a) Discuss the impact of hacking and malware as tools of cybercrime. **(10 Marks)**
b) Provide examples of major hacking incidents and the types of malware used in cyber-attacks. **(7.5 Marks)**
5. a) Evaluate the challenges of studying and investigating cybercrime in the digital age. **(10 Marks)**
b) Consider the technological, legal, and resource-related challenges in your discussion. **(7.5 Marks)**