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Bachelor of Development Studies

BDS 4309 : Social Psychology and Psychiatric Information

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

SERIES: SEPT. 2017

TIME: 2 HOURS

DATE:Pick DateSelect MonthPick Year

Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of **five** questions. Attempt Question 1 (compulsory question) plus any other 2 questions.

Do not write on the question paper.

Question ONE

- a. Outline two ethical problems that a social psychologist may encounter in conducting research. (4mks)
- b. By use of a relevant example, briefly describe self efficacy. (4mks)
- c. Give two explanations for group polarization. (4mks)
- d. Identify three factors that contribute to the effectiveness of minority influence. (4mks)
- e. Outline three powerful influences on liking and friendship. (6mks)
- f. Describe three maladjusted behavioural outcomes associated with maternal deprivation (6mks)

Question Two

- a. Define the following terms as used in social psychology (give an example for each):
 - i. Learned helplessness (4mks)
 - ii. Group think (4mks)
 - iii. Deindividuation (4mks)

- b. Discuss the influence of schools on the psychosocial development of children (8mks)

Question THREE

- a. Explain three reasons why people perceive themselves in self enhancing ways and how this can be maladaptive. (8mks)
- b. Discuss the general diagnostic criteria used to diagnose personality disorders according to the DSM-5. (12mks)

Question FOUR

- a. Explain how a social science researcher can use experimental method to explain an aspect of human behavior (10mks)
- b. Discuss how prejudice is maintained through institutional supports in developing countries (12mks)

Question FIVE

- a. Describe four characteristics of a group that can influence conformity. Give relevant examples. (8mks)
- b. Explain five practices a person can adopt to enhance emotional and mental health. (10mks)