

UNIVERSITY OF FORT HARE

HISTORICAL THEORIES AND
JUVENILE JUSTICE

DEGREE EXAMINATIONS

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Time: 3 Hours

Subject: CRIMINOLOGY (Historical Theories and Juvenile Justice)

Code: CRM 211

Marks: 100

This paper consists of 2 pages including
cover page.

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INSTRUCTIONS

- This paper has two sections - Section A and Section B.
- Section A consists of Two questions, Answer All Questions.
- Section B consists of Three questions, Answer Any Two Questions.
- Write neatly and legibly.
- Number your answers correctly.

SECTION A (Answer All Questions from This Section)

Question One

- 1.1 Define the concept theory [4 Marks]
- 1.2 Discuss the characteristics of a sound Criminological Theory [8 Marks]
- 1.3 Briefly explain the aim of the theory [4 Marks]
- 1.4 Differentiate between Unit and Meta [4 Marks]
- 1.5 List ten elements of a good theory in Criminology [10 Marks]

Question Two

- 2.1 Compare and contrast classical school and positive school of thought in Criminology [20 Marks]

SECTION B (Answer Any Two Questions from This Section)

Question Three

Define juvenile justice. How does it differ from adult criminal justice in terms of objectives and legal processes? [25 Marks]

Question Four

Discuss the historical development of juvenile justice in South Africa. Highlight key changes that have shaped the current system. [25 Marks]

Question Five

Critically analyse any two major contemporary issues faced by juvenile offenders in South Africa today. [25 Marks]