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EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

(COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY)

APS 517: PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT

DATE: Wednesday 1st September 2010

TIME: 9.00a.m – 12.00p.m

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer any 4 Questions; question 1 is compulsory.

- Q1. a) Discuss in details the steps taken when assessing children using arts. [15marks]
- b) What salient features will look for to make a diagnosis of major depressive disorder from a child's drawing. [5marks]
- Q2. a) Discuss the psychometric properties that you must know before selecting an instrument when carrying out psychological testing? [10marks]
- b) What is the difference between independent variable and dependent variable? [5marks]
- c) What is the importance of socio-demographic characteristics in assessment. [5marks]

- Q3. a) The drafting of a good questionnaire requires utmost skills. Outline steps used in developing a psychological instrument. [11marks]
- b) What contents must you put into a questionnaire to make it valid when assessing major depressive disorder? [9marks]
- Q4. a) What is psycho-education when you are handling a client in a counseling setting? [5marks]
- b) Feedback to the patient is important integral component of psychological assessment and testing. Discuss. [15marks]
- Q5. a) How can you use information contained in a referral note describing the current situation of a client referred to you in the final psychological report after assessment? [5marks]
- b) Describe in detail how you will write up a psychological report after you have done a complete psychological assessment? [15marks]