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**LL.M IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION – LEVEL 10- 1<sup>st</sup> Year**  
**FINAL EXAMINATION – 2017/2018**  
**LLPA303 / LWP2103 – CRIMINOLOGY**  
**DURATION –03 HOURS**

Date: 09<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Time: 09.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

Total number of questions 07.

**Answer four (04) questions only.**

Candidates will be penalized for illegible handwriting.

1. Discuss the central theoretical points of biological positivism of criminal behavior.

(25 marks)

2. How do the psychological explanations of crime contribute to the predestined actor model of criminality? Explain.

(25 marks)

3. Explain deviant behavior of people in the modern competitive Sri Lankan society with special reference to the anomie theory developed by Robert K.Merton.

(25 marks)

4. Critically review the basic theoretical assumptions of sub-cultural theories of crime.

(25 marks)

5. “No behavior is inherently deviant or criminal, but only comes to be considered so when others confer this label upon the act”.

Comment on this statement with reference to theories of social construction of crime.

(25 marks)

6. Explain crime and criminal behavior in terms of the unequal nature of the socio-political structure of society as is seen from the conflict perspective in criminology.

(25 marks)

7. Write descriptive notes on any **two** of the following themes;

- a. Social control theory developed by Travis Hirschi
- b. Environmental explanations of crime and criminal behavior
- c. Feminist perspective in criminology

(25 marks)

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